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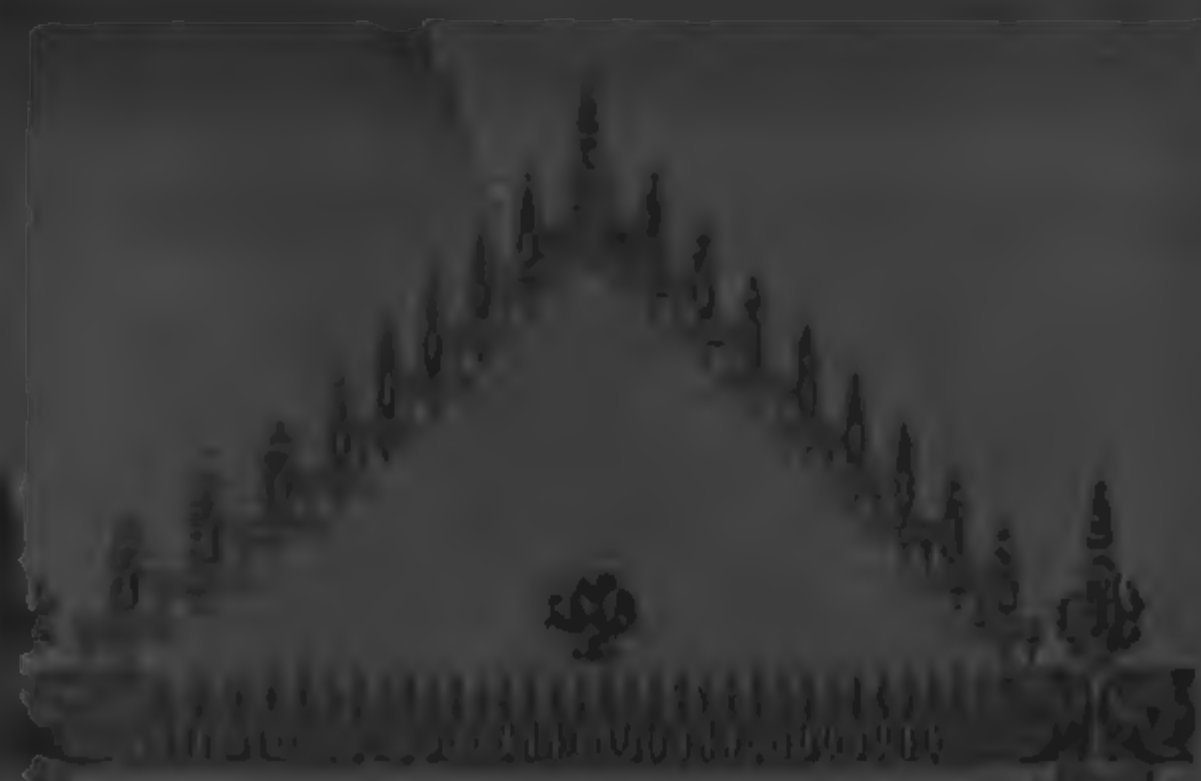
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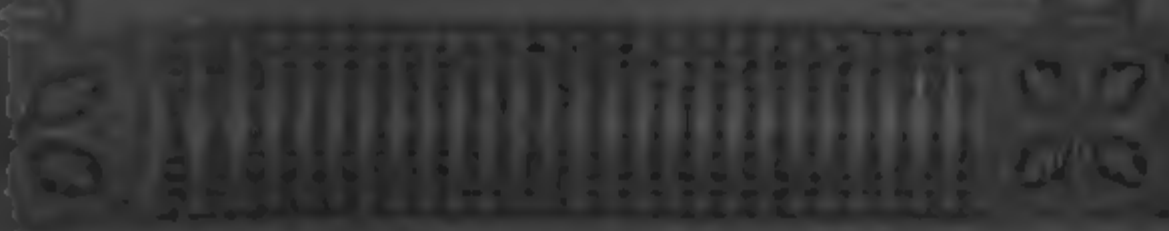
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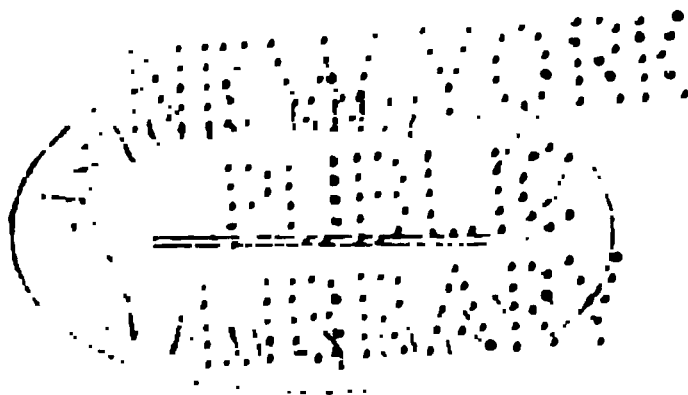
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LIST OF THE PARISHES

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF CONN., 1841.

Hartford County.

Hartford, { Christ Church.
St. John's Church.
Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.
Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.
Granby, St. Peter's Church.
East Windsor, (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.
Southington, ——— Church.
Bristol, Trinity Church.
New Britain, St. Mark's Church.

Windham County.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.
Pomfret, Christ Church.
Windham, St. Paul's Church.

Middlesex County.

Middletown, Christ Church.
Chatham, Trinity Church.
Middle Haddam, Christ Church.
East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.
Saybrook { (Essex,) St. John's Church.
Grace Church.
North Killingworth, Union Church.

New London County.

New London, St. James' Church.
Norwich, Christ Church.
Preston, (Poquetonuck,) St. James' Church.
Salem, Christ Church.

New Haven County.

New Haven, { Trinity Church.
St. Paul's Chapel.
St. James', (Westville.)
Guilford, Christ Church.
North Guilford, St. John's Church.
Branford, Trinity Church.
North Branford, Zion Church.
East Haven, Christ Church.
North Haven, St. John's Church.
Northford, St. Andrew's Church.
Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.
Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.
Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.
Hamden, Grace Church.
West Haven, Christ Church.
Milford, St. George's Church.
Derby, St. James' Church.
Humphreysville, Union Church.
Oxford { St. Peter's Church.
Christ Ch. (Quaker's Farms.)
Waterbury, St. John's Church.

Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.
Woodbridge, Trinity Church.
Middletown, ——— Church.
Bethany, Christ Church.
Wolcott, All Saint's Church.

Tolland County.

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.

Fairfield County.

Stratford, Christ Church.
Bridgeport, St. John's Church.
Fairfield, Trinity Church.
Weston, ——— Church.
Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.
Stamford, St. John's Church.
Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.
Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.
Danbury, { St. James' Church.
St. Thomas' Chapel, (Beth-el.)
Reading, Christ Church.
Newtown, { Trinity Church.
St. James' Church.
Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.
Huntington, St. Paul's Church.
Monroe, St. Peter's Church.
Trumbull, Christ Church.
New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.
Greenwich, Christ Church.
Westport, Christ Church.

Litchfield County.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.
Bradleyville, ——— Church.
Milton, ——— Church.
Northfield, Trinity Church.
New Milford, St. John's Church.
Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.
Storrs, Christ Church.
Kent, St. Andrew's Church.
New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.
Washington, St. John's Church.
Salisbury, St. John's Church.
Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.
Roxbury, Christ Church.
Bethlem, Christ Church.
Watertown, Christ Church.
Canaan, ——— Church.
Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church.
St. Matthew's Church.
Hitchcockville, Union Church.
Harwinton, Christ Church.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION, 1841.

HARTFORD, TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 1841.

THIS being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, for the Annual Convention of the same, the Rt. Rev. T. C. Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock A. M., in Christ Church, Hartford, which had been previously designated as the place of meeting.

Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford; and a Sermon was preached by the Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D.

The Bishop then admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, Mr. George Huntington Nichols; and to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, the Rev. J. Purves.

The Bishop was assisted in the administration of the Communion by the Rev. Dr. Mead and the Rev. Messrs. Burgess and Coit.

The services being ended, the Convention was called to order, and the list of Clergy entitled to seats according to the Canon, was read by the Secretary, and the following gentlemen were found to be present, and took their seats as members:

Rt. Rev. THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. Wm. B. Ashley,	Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D.
" David Baldwin,	" Oliver Hopson,
" E. Edwards Beardsley,	" Warner Hoyt,
" Lorenzo T. Bennett,	" Enoch Huntington,
" Hilliard Bryant,	" Abner Jackson,
" George Burgess,	" S. F. Jarvis, D. D. LL. D.
" Daniel Burhans, D. D.	" Wm. Jarvis,
" Riverius Camp,	" Stephen Jewett,
" Samuel T. Carpenter,	" Paschal P. Kidder,
" Alonzo B. Chapin,	" Zebediah H. Mansfield,
" Jacob L. Clark,	" Wm. C. Mead, D. D.
" Gurdon S. Coit,	" Joseph H. Nichols,
" Joseph S. Covell,	" Abel Nichols,
" Harry Crosswell, D. D.	" Seth B. Paddock,
" Samuel M. Emery,	" Wm. Payne,
" Henry Fitch,	" John Purves,
" George S. Gordon,	" Nathaniel S. Richardson,
" Robert A. Hallam,	" Rodney Rossitter,
" Solomon G. Hitchcock,	" Thomas G. Salter,

Rev. Joseph Scott,
 " Henry B. Sherman,
 " David H. Short,
 " John D. Smith,
 " Servilius Stocking,
 " Sabura S. Stocking,
 " David G. Tomlinson,
 " Silas Totten, D. D.,

Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle,
 " Thos. H. Vail,
 " Wm. Warland,
 " Wm. Watson,
 " John Williams,
 " Edwin W. Wiltbank,
 " Frederick B. Woodward,
 " Benjamin M. Yarrington.

The *Secretary* and Rev. Messrs. *E. Huntington* and *Jewett* were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the testimonials of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Brownell having been taken suddenly ill, and consequently being unable to attend the Convention, the Rev. Dr. CROSWELL was appointed President *pro tem*.

The Committee who were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates, reported that the following persons were entitled to seats according to the Canon :

Cyprian Nichols	}	Christ Church, Hartford,
Samuel Tudor,		
Dudley Watrous,	}	St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.
*Gideon Keene,		
Daniel Hill,		Trinity Church, Bristol.
*Asa Gilson,	}	St. Paul's, Windham.
Giles Taintor,		
Frederick Sill,	}	Christ Church, Middletown.
*Austin Baldwin,		
Oliver Warner,	}	St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.
James C. Hyde,		
Felix Starkey,		St. John's Church, Essex.
*Edward Hallam,	}	St. James' Church, New London.
E. T. Stoddard,		
Joseph Backus,		Christ Church, Norwich.
Enos A. Prescott,	}	Trinity Parish, New Haven,
Wm. H. Ellis		
Stephen D. Pardee,		
Elias Pierpont,		St. James' Church, Westville.
Chester Warner,		Trinity Church, Branford.
Eli F. Rogers,		St. John's Church, North Haven.
Rufus Pierpont,		St. Andrew's Church, Northford.
Thelus Todd,		St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.
John Barnes,	}	St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.
John Ives,		
*Henry W. Salisbury,	}	Grace Church, Hamden.
Wm. Merriam,		
Jacob D. Walter,	}	St. James' Church, Derby.
Jesse M. Mansfield,		
Joseph P. Canfield,	}	St. Peter's Church, Oxford.
Ira L. Ufford,		
*Hiram Osborn,	}	
Samuel Candee,		

*Burke Tomlinson, } Christ Church, Quaker's Farms, Oxford,
 *Marcus Sanford, }
 Samuel W. Hall, } St. John's Church, Waterbury.
 Sherman Hickox, }
 John Peck, } St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.
 Richard Hine, }
 Lyman Higgins, All Saints Church, Wolcott.
 John S. Peters, St. Peter's Church, Hebron.
 *Noah Plumb, } St. John's Church, Bridgeport.
 *James Fitch, }
 Stephen Smith, } St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
 Charles Sherry, }
 *James Smith, } St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.
 John M. Smith, }
 Ezra Morgan, } Trinity Church, Newtown.
 Jotham Sherman, }
 John H. Smith, St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.
 Samuel G. Cornell, } Christ Church, Greenwich,
 Nelson Bush, }
 *Ozias Seymour, } St. Michael's Church, Litchfield,
 *Benjamin H. Moss, }
 Cyrus Morehouse, St. Andrew's Church, New Preston.
 George F. Merriman, } Christ Church, Watertown,
 *George Mallory, }
 Burton Paine, St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.
 Apollos Markam, } St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,
 *Henry C. Smith, }
 Jesse Ives, } Union Church, Hitchcocksville.
 *Reuben Pinney, }
 Ithiel Hickox, St. John's Church, Washington.
 James B. Phelps, Christ Church, Harwinton.
 Cyrus Mann.

This Report being accepted, the roll of Lay Delegates was called, when a quorum was found to be present. Those with this mark (*) prefixed to their names, were absent.

A memorial from St. John's Church, Hartford, was presented by the Secretary, and, without reading, referred to a committee on the admission of new Parishes. The Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. E. Huntington, and S. D. Pardee, Esq. were appointed this Committee.

The Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY was re-elected Secretary, and S. D. PARDEE, Esq. was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention, were adopted as the Rules for the present Convention.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall

with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, *Resolved*, That visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and the Clergy of our own, not canonically entitled to seats, be admitted to honorary seats in this Convention. Whereupon the following Clergymen took their seats as honorary members:

Rev. E. C. Bull,	}	From the Diocese of Connecticut.
" Edward J. Ives,		
" Wm. F. Morgan,		
" Geo. H. Nichols,		
" Geo. C. Shepherd,		
" Foster Thayer,		
" Thos. S. Judd, from the Diocese of New York,		
" Ephraim Punderson, from the Diocese of Ohio.		
" F. F. Peake, Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis, Mo.		

The Committee on the admission of new Parishes, reported, that having examined the memorial presented in reference to the organization of the new Parish of St. John's Church, Hartford, and finding the same satisfactory, they recommend its admission into union with the Church in this Diocese. The Memorial was read, the Report accepted, and the Parish admitted.

James M. Goodwin, Esq., a Delegate from said Parish, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. *Jarvis*, Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, made a Report, which, upon his own motion, was referred to an Auditing Committee. *Samuel Tudor* and *William H. Ellis, Esqrs.*, were appointed this Committee.

The Treasurer of the Convention Fund also made a Report of the state of the finances which Report was referred to the same Committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the Rev. Mr. *Short* be appointed to receive the sums due from the several Parishes for making up the deficiency in the Bishop's salary.

On motion, *Resolved*, that *Joseph Backus*, Esq., be appointed to assist *Dr. Jarvis*, in receiving the monies for the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

The Rev. Dr. *Croswell* as Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee appointed at the last Annual Convention, to enquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature for the passage of some act suited to the organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese. The Report was accepted, and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead,

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to prepare and report to this Convention, some legislative measure suited to the organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The following gentlemen were appointed this Committee: Rev. Drs. *Mead* and *Totten*, Rev. Mr. *Chapin*, Hon. *J. S. Peters* and *Jas. M. Goodwin*, Esq.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. *Burgess*;

Resolved, That two gentlemen be added to this Committee, not necessarily members of this Convention.

Hon. *Isaac Toucy* and Hon. *J. B. Ferris*, were accordingly appointed.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, as well as the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention Fund, and found them both correct. Report accepted.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH, WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 9th.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. *Ashley*, after which the Roll was called and the minutes of the preceding meeting were read and accepted.

The Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Britian, and the following Lay Delegates with the requisite testimonials, appeared and took their seats:

Southard Hotchkiss, Christ Church, Sharon.
 Wm. B. Candee, } St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.
 Charles Betts, }
 Stephen G. Bucknell, St. Mark's Church, New Britian.
 Joseph Scarborough, Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
 Jeremiah H. Taylor, Christ Church, Middle Haddam.
 Abel Mallet, Christ Church, Trumbull.

The Rev. Dr. *Jarvis*, Secretary of the Standing Committee, read an abstract of their proceedings, which is entered on the Journal of the Convention, according to the 6th Canon.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee, from the Convention of 1840, to the Convention of 1841.

1. The first meeting was held, according to the 9th article of the Constitution, on the day in which the Standing Committee was chosen, Tuesday

June 9th, 1840. The Rev. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary.

2. The second meeting was held in the Vestry Room of St. Paul's Chapel, New Haven, on the 10th of June, 1840. Present, all the members. Canonical testimonials in behalf of John G. Hull and John Purves were presented, and both were recommended to the Bishop for admission to the Holy Order of Deacons, reservation being made that Mr. Purves should complete the Canonical year as a candidate by not presenting himself to the Bishop till after the 19th of June.

3. The third meeting was held at Hartford on the 4th of August, 1840, and continued by adjournment until Thursday, the 6th of that month. The Bishop being present, the Committee first went with him into the affairs of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge; which being finished, the Bishop retired, and the President took the chair. Certificates were signed, of the consent of this Committee to the consecration of the Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Maryland, and the Rev. Stephen Elliott, Jr., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Georgia. The Rev. Frederick B. Woodward, and the Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, Deacons, were recommended for Priest's Orders, and Mr. Martin Moody for the Holy Order of Deacons. Mr. Giles H. Deshon, was recommended as a candidate for Holy Orders.

4. The fourth meeting was held at New Haven, October 8th, 1840. The Rev. George Sewell Gordon, and the Rev. Henry Townsend, Deacons, were recommended for the Holy Order of the Priesthood, and Edward Selkirk, and Frederick Miller, Jr., as candidates for Holy Orders.

5. The fifth meeting was held at Meriden, December 11th, 1840. The Rev. Sabura S. Stocking, Deacon, was recommended to the Bishop for the Holy Order of Priests, and Benjamin G. Whitman, A. B., of Washington College, as a candidate for Holy Orders. The Standing Committee were then called to act as the council of the Bishop, with reference to the Chronicle of the Church.

6. The sixth meeting was held at Hartford, May 11th, 1841. Joseph Salkeld, was recommended as a candidate for Holy Orders, and William F. Morgan, to be admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons.

7. The seventh meeting was held at Hartford, June 8th, 1841. The Standing Committee in conference with the Bishop, performed the duty required by Canon XI, (1839,) of preparing an accurate list of Clergymen entitled to seats in Convention. After which they signed the testimonials of the Rev. John Purves, Deacon, recommending him for Priest's Orders; of George H. Nichols, recommending him for Deacon's Orders, and of Augustus Wm. Hanson, a native of Africa, recommending him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Holy Orders. They then adjourned till 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning, the 9th of June, and then signed the testimonials of the Rev. G. A. Sterling, Deacon, recommending him for Priests Orders.

Adjourned sine die.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Secretary.*

The Rev. Dr. Croswell stated to the Convention, that he had received a communication from the Bishop, the purport of which was, that he would be unable by continued indisposition, to attend the meeting to day, and authorizing him as President *pro tem*, to receive the Parochial Reports, and lay them before the Convention.

The Bishop communicated also his Annual Address, and agreeable to the pleasure of the Convention it was read by the Rev. *Secretary.*

ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY, AND OF THE LAITY:

It had been my purpose to address to you, on the present occasion, a canonical Charge. Questions have recently been raised, on certain doctrines and usages of the Church, concerning which I have wished for an opportunity to record my sentiments. Independently of this consideration, it must always afford me satisfaction to communicate with you, concerning the best means of preserving in its purity the religion of Christ, and extending the influence of those saving institutions which he has committed to our charge. I had already made some progress in the requisite investigations for carrying out this purpose, and in arranging my thoughts on the subjects alluded to, when it pleased Divine Providence to visit my family with a long and severe sickness, which has resulted in the death of my oldest son. Duties to him, of a peculiarly interesting nature, have necessarily divided my thoughts, and occupied much of my time. I have therefore, felt myself obliged to defer the fulfilment of my intentions to a future Convention;—should Providence permit me again to meet with you.

In addition to the hindrances here referred to, I have been obliged to be absent from the Diocese, during the greater part of the last two weeks, and have only found time, since my return, to make out a brief abstract of my official proceedings during the past year.

In the course of my visitations, since the last Convention, the holy rite of Confirmation has been administered in forty-six Parishes, to 479 persons, as follows, viz. :

June 11, East Haven,	8	" 21, Ridgefield,	19
" 12, Branford,	3	" 22, Danbury,	6
" " North Branford,	2	" 23, Newtown,	3
" 13, North Guilford,	4	" 24, Monroe,	5
" 15, North Killingworth,	4	Oct. 11, Litchfield,	6
" 18, Trumbull,	8	" 12, Watertown,	3
Aug. 14, Hebron,	2	" 13, Bethlem,	5
" 15, Windham,	17	" 14, Woodbury,	2
" 16, Norwich,	29	" 15, Roxbury,	3
" " Poquetonuck,	3	" 16, Bridgewater,	6
" 18, New London,	15	" 17, Brookfield,	6
" 30, Meriden,	8	" 19, New Preston,	4
Sept. 2, Bristol,	6	" 20, Plymouth, (St. Peter's,) 18	
" 3, Plymouth (St. Matthews,) 6		Nov. 7, Huntington,	6
" 13, Stratford,	4	" 8, Derby,	2
" " Bridgeport,	32	" 9, Oxford,	7
" 14, Southport,	6	" 10, Quaker's Farms,	5
" 15, Westport,	3	" 11, Naugatuc,	10
" 16, Stamford,	24	" 12, New Haven,	42
" 18, Greenwich,	6	April 4, New Britian,	8
" 19, New Canaan,	11	May 16, Waterbury,	26
" 20, Norwalk,	24	" 26, Watertown,	11
" " Wilton,	13	" 23, Hartford,	38

The following Candidates have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, during the past year, viz. :

Paschal P. Kidder, in Christ Church, Hartford, on the 3d of July; John G. Hull, in St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, on the 5th of July; Martin

Moody, in St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, on the 3d of September ; William F. Morgan, in Christ Church, Hartford, on the 12th of May.

Within the same period, the following Deacons have been admitted to the Holy Order of the Priesthood ; viz :—Frederick B. Woodward, in St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, on the 3d of September ; Isaac H. Tuttle, in Christ's Church, Bethlem, on the 13th of October ; George S. Gordon, in St. Andrew's Church, New Preston, on the 19th of October ; Henry Townsend, in Trinity Church, New Haven, on the 12th of November ; Sabura S. Stocking, in St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, on the 25th day of February. This day in presence of the Convention, I have admitted Mr. George H. Nichols to the Holy Order of Deacons, and the Rev. John Purves to that of Priests.

On the 23d day of June, in Christ Church, Greenwich, the Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington was admitted to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, and Mr. John Purves to the Holy Order of Deacons, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Western New York, acting on my behalf.

On the 18th of June, I consecrated the new Church in Trumbull, by the name of Grace Church. It is a neat and commodious building, highly creditable to the taste and liberality of those who have engaged in the good work of its erection. The Congregation more especially connected with it, is, at present, in union with the Parish of Christ Church, in the same town, under the pastoral charge of the Rev. David G. Tomlinson. It is trusted, however, that the time is not far distant, when the two congregations will be able to form distinct Parishes, each supporting the services of its proper Rector.

The comparatively ancient Church edifice in Cheshire, has been taken down, and replaced by a neat and spacious building of brick, in the Gothic style of architecture, indicative of the substantial growth and Christian liberality of the Parish. The new edifice was consecrated to the worship and service of God, on the 1st day of August last.

On the 21st day of October, I consecrated a new edifice in Harwinton, by the name of Christ Church. Few incidents have occurred, since my connection with this Diocese, which have afforded me more satisfaction than the re-organization of the Parish of Harwinton, and the erection of this new Church. Twenty years ago, I found the Parish almost extinct, without a Pastor, and with a dilapidated edifice, which was soon after taken down. The few Episcopal families who remained, appeared to have but faint hopes of better times ; but experience has proved that they had not lost their zeal in the service of the Church. Encouraged by the disinterested services of the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, they have again rallied, and put forth their exertions, and the result has been manifested in the erection of a neat house of worship, the re-establishment of the services of the Sanctuary, and the concentration of a respectable congregation.

On the 16th of June last, I laid the corner stone of a new Church, to replace the ancient edifice at Norwalk. The new building is of spacious dimensions, in the Gothic style of architecture, and is constructed after a very beautiful model. It is now nearly completed, and will be ready for consecration at an early day.

There are 87 Clergymen ecclesiastically connected with this Diocese, at the present time. The Rev. Edward C. Bull, officiating at Brookfield, is ecclesiastically connected with the Diocese of New-York ; and the Rev. Charles W. Bradley, residing at Haddam, the Rev. Foster Thayer, residing at Stratford, and the Rev. Samuel Nichols and Rev. George W. Nichols, residing at Greenfield Hill, are ecclesiastically connected with the same Diocese. In so large a body of Clergy, it is a merciful dispensation of Providence, which demands our grateful acknowledgement, that no one has been removed by death, during the past year.

Among the changes in the location of the Clergy, I have to record the removal of the Rev. Samuel S. Stratton to the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Silas Blaisdale to the Eastern Diocese, the Rev. L. H. Corson and the Rev. J. M. Bartlett to the Diocese of Western New York, and the Rev. J. R. Bayley to the Diocese of New York, with letters dimissory to their respective Bishops. The Rev. Thomas G. Salter has been received into this Diocese, to the charge of the Parish of East Haddam, with letters dimissory from the Rt. Rev. Bishop Griswold, and the Rev. Benjamin S. Huntington, with dimissory letters from the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, has been received into this Diocese, and has taken charge of the Parish of Middle Haddam. In addition to these changes, the Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett has relinquished his connexion with Trinity Church, New Haven, and accepted the Rectorship of Christ Church, Guilford; the Rev. Hilliard Bryant has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Westport, and accepted a call to the Church in Wallingford, which latter has been vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Robert M. Chapman; the Rev. Edward J. Ives has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Milford; the Rev. Z. H. Mansfield has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Warehouse Point; the Rev. S. S. Stocking has removed from Meriden to the Rectorship of the Parish of Newtown; and the Rev. John Williams has become assistant Minister of Christ Church, Middletown. The Rev. J. H. Nichols has become Assistant Minister in Trinity Parish, New Haven; and the Rev. A. B. Chapin has resigned the Rectorship of St James' Church, Westville, and the Rev. Henry Townsend has become his successor.

Of the Clergy admitted to the Diaconate, during the past year, the Rev. P. P. Kidder, has taken charge of the Parish of Branford; the Rev. J. G. Hull has been traveling on account of ill health; the Rev. M. Moody is an Assistant Teacher in the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire; the Rev. J. Purves has taken charge of the Parish of Wilton; and the Rev. Wm. F. Morgan, is at present residing in the city of Hartford.

The following persons are now Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz: William G. French, William Atwill, Isaac D. Hubbard, Giles H. Deshon, Frederick Miller, Jr., Benjamin G. Whitman, Thomas T. Guion, Joseph Salkeld, and Augustus W. Hanson.

Charles Gillett, John H. Cornish, and Edward Selkirk, lately Candidates in this Diocese, have been transferred, the first to Virginia, the second to South Carolina, and the third to New York. Mr. Ephraim L. Perkins has requested that his name may be withdrawn from the list of candidates, on account of protracted ill health.

In my last Address to the Convention, I took occasion to offer some remarks on the decrease in the number of the Candidates for Holy Orders, during the preceding three years, with some suggestions as to the probable causes of the diminution. In the years 1837 and 1838, the number of Candidates for Holy Orders was 25. Last year there were but 13; and at the present time the number is still smaller. We have great reason to pray to the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth more laborers into his vineyard.

Brethren, the statistics which I have now laid before you, in connection with the Parochial Reports, which will soon be read to you, will form the data from which you are to judge of the present state of the Church in this Diocese. If its growth has not been as rapid as we could desire, I trust we shall yet find abundant cause of gratitude to the divine Head of the Church, for that measure of prosperity, both temporal and spiritual, which he has vouchsafed to bestow on it.

The animated discussions which have been kept up in the Church during the past year, and which have been the theme of so many remarks from

other denominations of Christians, might seem to require of me a full expression of my sentiments, on the topics to which they relate ; but I have stated, in the beginning of this address, the reasons which have deterred me from such a task. Perhaps I may be permitted to recall to your attention the sentiments which I addressed to you last year on this subject, by repeating them on the present occasion.

“ Brethren, so long as we ourselves are faithful to our duties, we may rely on the promises of God for the welfare of the portion of his Church which he has committed to our care. For its doctrines, its ministry, and its sacraments, we are to rely on the Holy Scriptures alone ; explained by enlightened reason, and by the assent of the universal Church in its earliest and purest ages. Its worship, discipline and usages, we are to preserve without innovation or change, as they were settled by the great English Reformers, and have been established by the wise Fathers of our own branch of the Church. By adhering to these principles, we shall pursue a course equally free from the errors of the Romish superstitions, on the one hand, and from the novelties and devices of sectarian dissent on the other.

“ With these principles steadily in view, I have been much less interested than many of my brethren, in the writings of certain distinguished Divines in England, which have become the theme of so much controversy, both in that country and in this. I have no belief that these writings will produce such effects, either for good or for evil, as are apprehended by those who are engaged in these controversies. In England, the Church, from its earliest organization, has been intimately connected with the State. Under such circumstances, it is not wonderful that many men should have become somewhat unmindful of its divine origin, and of the permanent obligation of divine institutions. The writings in question may have a salutary tendency in directing the public mind to the nature of the Christian Church, as it was founded by the Saviour and his Apostle, and to the sense in which its doctrines and usages were understood by its first defenders and martyrs. If the learned authors have sometimes manifested an undue veneration for the writings of the early Fathers of the Church, and an undue admiration for some ceremonies which were dropped at the Reformation, there can be little danger from their enthusiasm on these subjects, in a country of free discussion ; and a nearer approximation to the truth will be the probable result in England, of the present controversy. I can not help thinking, however, that in that country, much of the heat of this controversy, and much of the interest which it has excited, have been occasioned by its connection with those party politics, and sectarian prejudices which prevail there. In our own country, the first of these causes can have no influence, and the latter must be much less strongly felt ; and we should be unable to account for the sensation which the discussion has excited among us, were it not for the influence of those sympathies and antipathies, which, in the present state of intercourse, are so easily propagated across the Atlantic.

“ The circumstances under which our Church has grown up in this country, have led us to regard it in its true character ;—not as a state establishment, but as a divine institution. As a minor denomination of Christians, too, we have been constantly compelled to act on the defensive ; and have been more generally accustomed, than our English brethren, to refer its constitution to the appropriate scriptural authority, and its usages to those early Christian writings, by which they can be successfully defended.

“ Though I do not imagine that the Tracts referred to, or the discussions which have grown out of them, will lead to any material change of sentiment, in regard to the doctrines, discipline, or usages of the Church, as they are now received and practised by us, yet the writers will not fail to command our respect for their learning, their talents, and their piety. And if

the controversies which they have aroused, both in England and in this country, are attended with some violations of Christian charity, is to be hoped that the evil will be counter-balanced, in the ultimate elucidation and establishment of truth.

"For ourselves, Brethren, we are much less concerned about new discoveries in religion, than we are to preserve, in their integrity and purity, the faith and worship which now pertain to our Church;—founded as they are in the Scriptures of truth, freed from the errors and incumbrances of superstition by the Reformation, and detached from all embarrassing alliance with the State, by the civil constitution of our country. We love the Church as it is: *Nolumus mutari.*"

Brethren,—these sentiments were expressed to you a year ago. Nothing has occurred in the meantime, to occasion a material change in them. We have witnessed some things calculated to arrest our attention,—to arouse our vigilance for the integrity of the Church; but nothing, I think, to create serious alarm.

There exists in the human mind an innate love of novelty, and a proneness to be captivated with new devices. This propensity has been strikingly manifested by the Christian denominations which surround us, in novel institutions and measures for the advancement of religion. Hitherto it has been the glory of our Church, that her organization, her Liturgy and her Articles have kept her free from these agitations, and secured to her an enviable degree of stability, peace, and prosperity. In the mean time, the other Communion have been harassed and divided, and have generally seen their favorite schemes marred or subverted by the extravagancies of their partizans. I trust we shall profit by the lessons which have passed before us. The scriptures are too old, and the history of the Church is too well known to us, to encourage the expectation of any newly discovered doctrines, or any new measures for the promotion of true religion. And we have too much reason to be satisfied with the condition and progress of the Church, *as it now is*, to render us favourable to any change;—even though it were by the adoption of usages and ceremonies which once prevailed, in the early ages of Christianity. Discussions in regard to these usages and ceremonies may indeed be of eminent service to the cause of religion, if restricted to their legitimate end;—to illustrate the doctrinal truths on which they were based, and to resuscitate the devout feelings and sentiments which those truths should inspire. Such is the professed object of the learned authors, whose writings have been referred to. They have, indeed, been charged with popish predilections:—with what degree of justice time will show. The same charge has been renewed against the Church;—though the testimony of two hundred years should seem sufficient to have removed the prejudice from the minds of dissenters.

If the whole body of Christians throughout the world, could be reunited in one universal Church, as it existed at the close of the Apostolic age, it would be a consummation devoutly to be wished. But the supposition that there is any desire or tendency in the Church of England, or the Protestant Episcopal Church in this country, or any portion of these Churches, to unite with the Romish Communion, is wholly without foundation.

The authors of the Oxford Tracts, and their supporters, amidst much that is excellent, and worthy of all praise, have written many things which we cannot approve, and some things which I consider in decided contrariety to the doctrines of our Church; but that they, or any of them, should meditate an union with the Church of Rome, while that Church retains its present organization, doctrines, and ceremonies, passes my comprehension, and is utterly contrary to my belief. Sure I am, that in so far as respects the Church in this Diocese, and so far as my knowledge extends out of it, I feel

myself authorized to repel the imputation of such a desire, in the most positive and unequivocal language.

With these brief remarks, I dismiss a subject, which I have not had leisure more fully to discuss.

In conclusion, Brethren, let us supplicate the blessing of God on our persons, and on our deliberations; beseeching the assistance of the Holy Spirit, to enlighten our minds, and sanctify our hearts; to preserve us from error, and to guide us into all truth.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL,

Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut,

Hartford, June 8th, 1841.

The reading of the Parochial Reports was then commenced, which being finished, the Rev. Dr. Mead offered an amendment to the 1st Canon, which was adopted as follows:

CANON I.

In order to give effect to canon 7, of the General Convention, of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages, and funerals, solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptised, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which document shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of Communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, shall be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

The Convention next proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee, which resulted in the choice of Rev. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D., Rev. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., Rev. GEORGE BURGESS, Rev. FREDERICK HOLCOMB, D. D., Rev. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The reading of the roll was dispensed with, and on motion of the Rev. Mr. Burgess, an error was corrected, by which a sum from St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, paid over to the Treasurer of the Society for the Pro-

motion of Christian Knowledge, was directed to be paid over to the Treasurer of the Church Scholarship Society.

The Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Tariffville, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. *Mead*, Chairman of the Committee appointed under the resolution of yesterday, to inquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature for the passage of some act suited to the organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church, made the following report, which was accepted :

The Committee appointed under the resolution of the 8th inst., "to prepare and report to this Convention some legislative measure suited to the organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church,"

REPORT,

That, as the 7th article of the Constitution of this State declares that—'Each and every society or denomination of Christians in this State shall have and enjoy the *same* and equal powers, rights, and privileges,' in their opinion, no special act in behalf of any one religious denomination could be obtained from the Legislature; and it will be better to endure the ills of the present imperfect laws on the subject of religious societies, than attempt to effect a special alteration in our own favor, and fail.

WM. COOPER MEAD,
Chairman of the Committee.

The Clergy and Laity then separated for the purpose of choosing Delegates to the General Convention. When the Convention again united, it appeared that the following persons had been nominated as Delegates to the General Convention, and the nomination was thereupon confirmed by a joint vote of both orders :

<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>Laity.</i>
Rev. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D.	Hon. JOHN S. PETERS.
Rev. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D.D.L.L.D.	JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.
Rev. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.	PHILIP S. GALPIN, Esq.
Rev. GEORGE BURGESS,	HOLBROOK CURTISS, Esq.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to nominate suitable persons as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Dr. *Mead*, Rev. Mr. *Jewett*, and James M. Goodwin, Esq. were appointed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Burgess, the Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society, the business of which being finished, the Convention again organized, when the Committee appointed to nominate suitable persons as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, reported the names of the following gentlemen, who were accordingly confirmed by the Convention :

<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>Laity.</i>
Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D.	RICHARD ADAMS, Esq.
Rev. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D.D.L.L.D.	STEPHEN SMITH, Esq.
Rev. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.	S. H. HUNTINGTON, Esq.
Rev. ROBERT A. HALLAM,	ALEXANDER HAMILTON, Esq.
Rev. FREDERICK HOLCOMB, D. D.	WM. H. SCOVILL, Esq.
Rev. STEPHEN JEWETT.	

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Journal be printed.

On motion of Dr. Mead, *Resolved*, That the Rev. *Secretary*, Messrs. *Chapin* and *J. H. Nichols*, be a Committee to superintend the printing of the Journal.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to revise and make an abstract of the Journals of the early Conventions of this Diocese, and publish the same in connection with the Journal of the present year.

The Rev. Messrs. *Chapin*, *Beardsley*, and *J. H. Nichols*, were appointed this Committee.

The minutes were then read, and after the usual devotions, and the benediction of the President, the Convention adjourned, *sine die*.

HARRY CROSWELL, *President pro tem*.

E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX, NO. I.

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop reports, that during the past year he has administered the Holy Rite of Confirmation in 46 Parishes, to 479 persons; that *six* have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and *seven* to the Priesthood; that *three* Churches have been consecrated, and the Corner Stone of *one* laid; that *five* clergymen have taken letters dimissory to other Dioceses, and *two* have been canonically received into it; that *nine* clergymen have resigned their respective Cures, and *six* have been transferred to other stations in the Diocese; that there are *nine* candidates for Holy Orders; that *three* have been transferred to other Dioceses, and that *one* has requested his name to be withdrawn on account of protracted ill health.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GLASTENBURY.

REV. WM. B. ASHLEY, RECTOR.

Families, 75; marriages, 5; funerals, 11; baptisms—infants, 11, adults, 4; communicants—added, anew, 3, lost, by death, 1, by removal, 8, present number, 94; Sunday School—scholars, 80, teachers, 17.

Contributions to various charitable purposes have been made, amounting to \$39 22. In addition to this, the remainder of the debt which the Parish contracted when the present Church edifice was built, has been, during the past year, reduced from eighteen hundred dollars to nine hundred.

The Rector of this Church has been enabled, by Divine assistance, to discharge his duties, during the past year, without interruption, and would thank

the Giver of all Grace that his labors have not been altogether in vain. A class of about twenty are now nearly ready to profess the name of Christ, and to receive the Bishop's blessing in the Holy Rite of Confirmation—all of whom will doubtless become Communicants immediately afterwards. If the Laity of this Parish are as prompt and efficient in attending to its business matters as they should be, I see nothing to prevent its lasting prosperity in a temporal point of view, and if those of them who partake of the Supper of the Lord are prayerful and exemplary, and the Rector faithful and instant, its spiritual interests will be made to thrive and flourish as the Garden of the Lord.

[REV. A. BALDWIN: no Report.]

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH GUILFORD.

REV. D. BALDWIN, MINISTER.

During the ecclesiastical year, I have officiated in St. John's Church, 26 Sundays, Christmas, and Ash Wednesday. There has been no great change in this congregation since the last Convention—have administered the Lord's Supper five times, and buried two children. Families 38, communicants 42.

UNION CHURCH, KILLINGWORTH.

REV. D. BALDWIN, MINISTER.

I have officiated 13 Sundays in Union Parish, administered the Lord's Supper three times, and attended six funerals, on which occasions, I preached to large congregations. Six men, some of them the most efficient, have died. This, from a small, feeble parish, has had the effect to discourage those who remain behind. Without some Missionary aid, this Parish, to human appearance, must decline.

ZION CHURCH, NORTH BRANFORD.

REV. DAVID BALDWIN, (LATE) MINISTER.

I have officiated 12 Sundays, Thanksgiving, and Good Friday, in the newly finished Church, administered the Communion, and baptized two children. This Parish, which is composed of but few families, needs Missionary aid.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHESHIRE.

REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, LATE MINISTER.

Families, 52; communicants—added by removals, 1, anew, 3, lost by death, 2, removals 12, present number 72; marriages, 4; burials 2; missionary and charitable contributions, \$35 97; \$5 72 of it to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

The temporal condition of this Parish, may be regarded as prosperous. The new Church which was consecrated in August last, is nearly paid for, and the improvements which have been made about the building, by the erection of a new fence to enclose the Burying Ground, and a handsome railing to enclose the green, are indications that the zeal of the congregation is still strong.

The Parish was unable, after the consecration of their Church, to procure a clergyman, as they wished, and I consented, therefore, to supply the pulpit during the winter. At Easter I ceased to do so, and since that time the people have had different ministers to officiate. The Rev. Wm. F. Mor-

gan has now accepted the charge of the Church, and he enters upon his duties with prospects of much usefulness. That his ministrations may be blessed, is the earnest prayer of him who remembers the people with gratitude for all the affection they have shown him, and with pleasure for all the zeal they have manifested during a residence among them of nearly six years.

CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. L. T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families, 52; baptisms—infants, 4; Communicants—removed, 3, lost by death, 2, total, 68; Marriages, 3; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars 50; Bible class, 18; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$21.

The present incumbent was invited to the Rectorship of this Parish in July last. During the five years since he resigned its pastoral care, it has suffered from frequent ministerial changes; and at intervals, from the destitution of clerical services. Still its present state may be regarded as prosperous. An expensive edifice of stone has been built and nearly paid for; and though few in numbers, and of limited resources, the Parish, unaided, sustains constant services. The canonical plan of parochial collections has been introduced, with favorable results; and the Rector finds much that is encouraging, in a pervading religious sensibility among his parishioners, and in their regular and attentive presence at the exercises of the sanctuary.

[REV. GEO. BENTON.]

Missionary to Greece.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.

REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.

I have had charge of this Parish only about four weeks, during which time I have officiated regularly on Sunday, and have baptized one infant and one adult. I have not yet had time to ascertain the condition of the Parish from personal investigation, but learn from the records that it contains, families, 93; communicants, 65.

CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS, RECTOR.

Families, 312; Baptisms—infants, 31, adults, 12, total, 43; communicants—added, 55, removed, 29, died, 6, total 441; marriages, 7; burials, 40; confirmed, 38; Sunday School—teachers, 33, scholars during the year, 297; contributions—Domestic Missions, \$613 17; Foreign Missions, \$289 64; Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, \$174 37; Church Scholarship Society, \$153 60; Churches in Ohio and Illinois, \$221; Support of a beneficiary at Washington College, \$85; Jubilee College, about \$1300; total, \$2726 78.

The Rector is happy in saying, that he believes he has witnessed, during this year, and is now witnessing, many signs of the spiritual advancement of his people. He is, from day to day, more and more satisfied that the fruits of a prolonged acquaintance with the individuals of a pastoral charge, form indeed, the most abundant portion of the harvest.

It is probable that the present report will be the last which will have embraced the whole body of the members of the Episcopal Church in Hartford. Although all of them still worship in one congregation, and have but one

pastor, and no separation can, therefore, be made in the statement of the number of families or communicants, or in the other statistics, yet a second Parish already exists, and is engaged in preparations for erecting its own Church edifice. It was remarked in the report of last year, that any considerable accessions to the Church in this city would be impossible, unless further accommodations should be furnished. The same conviction has led to the organization, in the past spring, of St. John's Parish, which has now been received into union with this Convention. It has a cordial "Godspeed" from those whom it will leave behind. The devout zeal and liberality of the very valuable men who are chief in the undertaking—the entire purity and benevolence of purpose, in which it has been begun, and the harmonious union of both Parishes, in seeking its success, forbid all doubt that, under the blessing of God, it must prosper.

[REV. D. BURHANS, D. D. : no Report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

REV. R. CAMP, RECTOR.

Families, 22; communicants, 44; baptisms, 2; burials, 4; contributions to charitable purposes, \$75. This Parish may be considered as in a prosperous and peaceful condition.

CHRIST CHURCH, POMFRET.

REV. R. CAMP, MINISTER.

This Church has been much reduced by a change of residences, leaving but few who may be considered as firmly settled in Church principles, yet these few have evinced a zeal and energy worthy the cause, and with God's blessing, will succeed in their efforts. Families, 12; communicants, 12.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHARON.

REV. SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER, RECTOR.

Families, 41; communicants—added, anew, 4, by removals, 1, lost, by death, 2, total, 55; burials, 4; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$22 40.

This Parish, by the blessing of God, we think is in a prosperous state. The people have made a noble effort to sustain the Church, and my services are engaged for the whole time.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

REV. SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER, LATE RECTOR.

Families, (including Canaan,) about 60; baptisms—infants, 6; communicants—added, anew, 3, lost, by death, 2, by removal, 1, total, about 30; burials, 5; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$11 56.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, MINISTER.

Families, 44; baptisms—infants, 2; communicants—added, anew, 1, lost, by death, 1, total, 40; burials, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 30; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$8 15.

My connection with this Parish commenced in July, 1840. The number of families in this Parish has been over estimated in the recent reports. During

the past year, I have made a revision of the Parish Register, and the above may be relied upon. The practice of Monthly Offerings has never been introduced into this Parish until last Easter, when it was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Parish, and has gone into operation under the most flattering auspices. The sum collected at two contributions, was that reported above, and I doubt not they will increase. The spiritual condition of this Parish is such as to afford great encouragement to the friends of Zion. The Parish is small and weak, and has had many obstacles to encounter; but it seems likely to rise above them all, and to shine brighter and brighter, unto the perfect day. At no time since my acquaintance with the Parish, has there been such a general seriousness pervading the whole Congregation, and so much desire manifested, to come up to the standard of Christian duty.

CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, MINISTER.

Families, 30; burials, 2. The public services of this Church have been only occasional, in consequence of the situation of the house. During the present year, I have visited all the families in the Parish, and made an entire revision of the Parish Register. The number of families have been diminishing by deaths and removals, or have gone away because there was no regular service there. The Church has been repaired during the past year, at an expense of about \$900, and is now nearly ready for service. It is now one of the neatest wood Churches in the Diocese, and reflects great credit upon those who have been instrumental in procuring the repairs to be made. Among those to whom the Parish are indebted for aid and assistance, they especially desire to remember Mr. Joseph N. Clark, of New Haven, one of the descendants of the early Churchmen of this place, to whose liberality and zeal they will, in a great measure, owe it, that when their house is completed, they will be nearly or quite out of debt. This Parish will need, for a time, the fostering care of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, to whose consideration it is especially commended.

I have also preached once in the Parish of Zion Church, North Branford, and performed some occasional services elsewhere.

ST. JAMES CHURCH, WESTVILLE.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, LATE RECTOR.

Families, 40; baptisms—infants, 1; communicants—added, anew, 1, lost, by removal, 2, total, 24; burials, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 30; Bible class, 7; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$17 06.

The number of families in this Parish is somewhat variable, being liable to change by removals. During the past year, three families have removed from the Parish, and one has moved into the Parish. The increase has been from those who have before attended only occasionally, any where. At the time of the last report, they had not attended the Church sufficiently to be reckoned as belonging there. The increasing demand for parochial services in this Parish, rendered it impossible to devote as much time as seemed to be called for by the Parish, and I therefore resigned the Rectorship at Easter. The attendance, during the last year, was good, and the indications of prosperity flattering. There were also indications of much seriousness on the minds of some during the winter, but ill health prevented my being among them as much as I desired, and an accident, which nearly cost me the sight of my right eye, obliged me to omit all evening and Lent services.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

REV. J. LYMAN CLARK, RECTOR.

Families, 167; baptisms—infants, 28, adults, 6; confirmed, 26; communicants—added, by removals, 9, anew, 24, lost, by death, 2, removals, 19, total, 257; marriages, 7; burials, 19; Sunday School—teachers, 52, scholars, 245; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$650 74.

Missionary and charitable contributions, for objects without the Parish, as follows: to the Church Scholarship Society, \$156; to the Domestic Department of our Missionary Board, \$224 75; to the Foreign Department, by the Juvenile Sewing Society, to educate a child under the care of the Rev. Dr. Savage, second annual payment, \$20; by the children of the Sunday School, for a similar object, first annual payment, \$20; for the Christian Knowledge Society, \$75; to the Theological Seminary, towards defraying the current expenses of that institution, \$15; to the Church in Plymouth, Ohio, \$34; for the benefit of neighboring Churches in our own Diocese, \$65; I have now on hand, to be appropriated, \$40 99. Total, \$650 74.

It should be stated that fifty-three dollars of the above was raised by the Ladies' Sewing Society.

In addition to a regular weekly Lecture in the Church, which takes the place of a Bible Class, the seasons appointed by the Church for public worship have been generally observed, and with a good degree of interest. The number of Communicants removed from the place the past year is much larger than usual; but yet, the Communion has been materially augmented. This circumstance, together with the fact that a much larger sum has been raised for the various institutions of the Church than any year before, encourages the Rector to hope that there is an actual increase of true Godliness among his people.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.

REV. G. S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 44, adults, 6; confirmed, 32; communicants—added by removals, 5, anew, 29, lost by death, 4, removed, 8, whole number, 286; marriages, 8; burials, 23; Sunday School—teachers, 27, scholars, 182; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$317 19.

The Parish is, I believe, in a peaceful and prosperous condition.
[Families, 1840, 298.]

TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families, 87; baptisms—adults, 2, infants, 9; confirmed, 6; communicants—added anew, 8, lost by removal, 5, present number, 130; marriages, 3; burials, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, 70; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$102 36.

The Parish has been afflicted, during the past year, by an interruption of the accustomed means of grace, which, though apparently unfavorable, may yet be sanctified to our good, by Him, who *chastens in love*. In the wise and just providence of the Great Head of the Church, I was obliged to desist from the labors of the pulpit in October. My people, however, were supplied with preaching, through the winter, by the kindness of the Rev. Samuel Nichols, who resides in the Parish, and by the good will of several of my brethren, from other Parishes, some of whom, with a brotherly love, which deserves the most grateful acknowledgment, left their own congregations, for a Sunday, that my pulpit might not be vacant for several

Sundays in succession. We were under particular obligations to the Rev. and venerable Dr. Burhans, who, with his wonted zeal, in ministering the word, preached for us two Sundays, and was only prevented from giving us another visit, by an accident which disabled him. I began to preach again early in the spring, and in the mercy of God, I have continued to officiate ever since, with constantly improving health, and renewed strength.

The Parish has, within a few weeks, lost three good families, removed to other parts, the heads of which were all exemplary communicants. But it should be acknowledged with much gratitude to the Preserver of our lives, that none have been taken from us by death. Indeed, it is a fact worthy of notice, that, although I have been called to attend three funerals, there has been, for nearly fifteen months past, no instance of mortality, and hardly a case of dangerous illness, among the families enumerated as belonging to the Parish, which comprises about four hundred souls. May the goodness of God lead us to repentance!

TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

REV. JOSEPH S. COVELL, RECTOR.

The number of families, including those that purchase slips, and those that may be considered as legal members, 33; baptisms—adults, 3, children, 7, whole number, 10; confirmed, 6; communicants—added anew, 3, by removal, 6, lost by removal, 2, present number, 61; marriages, 2; burials not belonging to the Church, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 11, scholars, 46; Bible class, 21; Children's Magazines taken in the Parish, 25; Church Chronicle, 17; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$27 79; \$7 00 have been appropriated to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge; \$11 to Domestic Missions, and the remainder, to purchase books for the Library.

The Parish is perfectly harmonious, and gradually increasing in numbers, and we trust in piety. It is not yet able to support the entire services of a Clergyman. But if it could receive for a few years to come, a little more aid from the Christian Knowledge Society, and above all, should the blessing of God rest upon us and further us with his constant help, we confidently believe that the Parish will not only support itself, but be able to impart to others. During the season of Lent, this Church was opened for divine service every Wednesday, with a very good attendance. We feel therefore, that prosperity has in some measure attended our humble efforts in building up this portion of Zion; for which we would most humbly and devoutly express our gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, and pray earnestly that he would yet more abundantly bless us with all spiritual blessings.

PARISH OF TRINITY CHURCH, INCLUDING TRINITY CHURCH AND ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, NEW HAVEN.

REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR; REV. J. H. NICHOLS, ———, ASSISTANTS.

Families, 700; baptisms—infants, 63, adults, 25, total, 88; confirmed, 42; communicants—added, 62, lost by death, 15, by removals, 6, total, 21, present number over 700; marriages, 29; burials, 69; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$1181 82.

Since the last Annual Convention, some important changes have taken place in our pastoral relations. After the resignation of the Rev. L. T. Bennett, who had served the Parish as Assistant Minister for a period of five years, with great credit to himself, and with obvious benefit to our spiritual

interest, the place was supplied for a time by temporary assistance. Subsequently, however, in consequence of the great and increasing demand for ministerial duty, the Parish, on the recommendation of the Rector, resolved to employ two Assistants—and this explains the present position of our pastoral organization. The Parish is advancing in prosperity; and there is a steady increase in the number of communicants, and a more encouraging attention to the subject of baptism. At the present time, an unusually large class is in preparation for confirmation. During the past year, a neat and commodious building has been erected, at an expense of \$2500 for the accommodation of the Sunday School and Bible class, and for evening lectures; and has added very much to the facilities for pastoral and catechetical instruction.

[REV. G. C. V. EASTMAN : no Report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND, (FORMERLY CHATHAM.)

REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Families, 110; baptisms—infants, 11, adults, 1; communicants—added, anew, 6, died, 1, present number, 112; marriages, 9; burials, 10; Sunday School—teachers, 17, scholars, 97; Missionary and charitable contributions, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, \$25, otherwise appropriated, \$269 39.

No material change has taken place in this Parish since the date of the last annual report. Its increase is gradual, corresponding with that of the community in which it is situated.

Though the addition to the number of communicants has been small, we have had reason to bless God, that it has been no smaller; while at the same time, it should teach us to look for divine grace to secure a more abundant harvest in future. The Sunday School, composed of a very respectable number of interesting pupils, is supplied with able teachers, who take a laudable interest in instilling good principles, and sound doctrine into the minds of the young.

In a word, unity and harmony prevail in the Parish; and it may safely be regarded as in a prosperous condition.

GRACE CHURCH, HAMDEN.

REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

Families, 51; baptisms—infants, 7, adults, 2; communicants—added, anew, 3, lost by removals, 2, death, 1, present number, 57; marriages, 5; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 5, scholars, 25; Bible class, 9; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$40 88.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROXBURY.

REV. GEO. L. FOOT, MINISTER.

Families, 59; baptisms—infants, 8, adults, 2; confirmed, 3; communicants—added by removal, 2, lost by removal, 1, present number, 36; marriages, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 7; contributions, \$44. Besides this, the Parish during the past year, have paid a debt of about \$200, and are now free from debt, and have sustained services one half of the time, with a gradually increasing attendance. They have for the first time in several years, secured the residence of a Clergyman among them, and it is hoped that they may ere long secure all his services.

There is, also, a congregation in the town of Southbury, that meets in

the Purchase School house, varying in attendance from 75 to 120. Families, 19; baptisms—infants, 5, adult, 1; communicants—lost by death, 1, present number, 4; burials, 1; contributions, \$3 12. I have officiated for this congregation as lay reader and minister about three years; and during the past year I have given my services one fourth of the time, with occasional lectures, for which they have raised about \$55.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KENT.

REV. GEO. L. FOOT, MINISTER.

Families, 23; baptisms—infants, 2; communicants, 15; marriages, 1; contributions, \$4 10.

I have officiated for this Church one fourth of the Sundays since last August, and I think that there is now a favorable opening for the permanent establishment of the services of the Church, if the Parish can be assisted to pay a debt of about \$500 now due from them. I would also add, that my salary from this Parish is raised, in consequence of a proposal made by the Clerical and Missionary Association of Litchfield county, to raise \$125 for the benefit of the Parish, provided, that at least an equal sum shall be raised from the Parish, to be appropriated \$125 towards the salary, and the remainder towards paying the debt.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HEBRON.

REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.

The number of families that profess to belong to this Parish is 51; baptisms—infants, 7; communicants—added, 2, total, 43; marriages, 4; burials, 6; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, about 30. A collection for the Christian Knowledge Society will be taken and forwarded in due time.

I have nothing of special interest to communicate concerning the people of my charge. They are literally a little flock, scattered over a considerable section of country, and exposed to many of the peculiarities of the various sectaries by which they are surrounded. But notwithstanding the strong sectarian influence that would do away the doctrines and usages of the Church, a few faithful witnesses remain, who with humble confidence in the truth of the Divine Word, point the erring traveler to 'the old paths, where is the good way, that they may find rest for their souls.' The multitude regard not this friendly warning, but say as of old, 'we will not walk therein.'

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEW PRESTON.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, MINISTER.

Families—added, 9, removals, 2, total, 63; communicants—added, anew, 3, lost, by removal, 4, by death, 1, total, 46; baptisms—infants, 6, adult, 1; confirmations, 4; marriages, 6; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, 45; Bible Class—members enrolled, 25; contributions—Christian Knowledge Society, \$11 51; Sunday School, \$12 18; St. Matthew's Parish, Plymouth, Ohio, \$12 52; total, \$36 27.

St. Andrew's Parish, New Preston, is in a flourishing condition, as regards its temporal affairs. For the last three years, the members of the Parish have exhibited an annually increasing liberality in the support of public worship. At the last Easter meeting, all the slips in the body of the Church were sold. The attendance was more numerous than it has ever before been on a like occasion. The amount raised was sufficient to warrant the Parish in determining to secure the undivided services of their minister. To ena-

ble them to do this, however, they will need an appropriation of about \$75, from the Christian Knowledge Society; and when it is recollected, that for the long period of 70 or 80 years, it has struggled on without, I believe, the least assistance towards the attainment of that desirable object, the undivided labors of a clergyman, it is devoutly to be hoped that their expectations will not now be disappointed.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, (LATE) MINISTER.

Families, 22; communicants, added, by removal, 3, anew, 3, lost, by removal, 2, total, about 28; Bible Class—members enrolled, 11; contributions—Christian Knowledge Society, \$2 02.

St. John's Parish, Washington, cannot be said to be in a flourishing condition, in a temporal point of view. Since the period of its re-organization, some 15 or 20 years since, it has, as I have been informed, been gradually decreasing in numerical strength. During the past year, it has made extraordinary exertions in supporting public worship, which have, in a great degree, incapacitated it, as a Parish, for supporting a Minister during the coming year. If, however, those individual members to whom God has given wealth, would only recollect that they are stewards of a master who will one day take an account of his servants, there would be no difficulty in doing even more than they have ever yet done. May God, who giveth wealth, give also the liberal heart to use and improve it to his glory, in the work of the soul's salvation.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.

REV. JOHN MARSHALL GUION, MINISTER.

Families, 27; baptisms—adults, 4; communicants—added, by removals, 9, anew, 3, lost, by death, 2, removals, 4, total, 18; confirmed, 8; marriages, 3; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 4, scholars, 30; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$19 75.

This Parish, which through the disastrous condition of business, and other circumstances, has encountered difficulties of a severely trying nature, at the present moment appears to give promise of prosperity in both its temporal and spiritual interests. They who have been conversant with it from the commencement, declare that at no former period were its prospects ever so encouraging. To aid in retrieving it from a debt which created much embarrassment, the Ladies' Society held a fair, the avails of which, much augmented by the liberality of our friends in Hartford, and amounting to nearly \$300, have essentially relieved us from a threatening impediment to success. The heart of the Rector has been warmed and encouraged by the zealous efforts of his little flock, with their very limited resources, and in the face of many hindrances, to sustain the cause of the Church, and especially by the manifest interest in vital religion which has been awakened among them. A comparatively large accession to the number of communicants has been anticipated, which it is confidently expected will be made at no distant day.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON.

REV. R. A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families, 74; baptisms—infants, 5, adults, 4; confirmed, 15; communicants, added, by removals, 10, anew, 16, lost, by death, 3, removals, 4, total, 101; marriages, 2; burials, 7; Sunday School—teachers, 16, scholars, 78; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$490 13, as follows: to General

Missionary Society, \$171 37; Christian Knowledge Society, \$20 50; General Theological Seminary, \$20; Plymouth, Ohio, \$31 76; Pomfret, \$22; Poquetonnuck, \$212 50; Salem, \$12 50; total, \$490 13.

The condition of this Parish may safely be reported as prosperous, although the Divine Head of the Church would doubtless say to it as he said once to the Church at Ephesus: "Nevertheless, I have somewhat against thee." Attendance on public worship is regular, respectful, and serious; an appearance of devotion and interest is general; the number of those who receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper gradually increases; such as name the name of Christ are careful to depart from iniquity, and seem to grow in grace; and on the whole, pleasing evidence is afforded of a healthy progress in the things of the Spirit. The prominent evils, are a somewhat uncommon and very intractable indifference in the male members of the congregation; a very small number of whom are communicants: a culpable negligence on the part of sponsors and parents, in the religious instruction of the young, and too great apathy in regard to the temporal affairs of the Parish. Still the Rector thinks it due at once to the people and to their beneficent Lord, that this annual report should be made, as it is, in a spirit of hope and gratitude.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WOODBURY.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, MINISTER.

Families, 54; baptisms—infants, 4, adult, 1; confirmed, 2; communicants—added, by removals, 3, anew, 4, lost, by removals, 2, total, 53; marriages, 3; burials, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 5, children of a suitable age to attend, 57, number of actual attendants much less; Bible Class, 13; Missionary and charitable collections, \$42 24, appropriated as follows: \$17 24 for Parish purposes; \$12 to Domestic Missions, in answer to the appeal in behalf of that department, and \$13 payable to this present Convention, towards Diocesan assessments. Number of subscribers to the Chronicle, 31.

During the past year, the undivided services of a clergyman have been continued to the members of this Parish by means of the aid which has been received, or *promised*, from other sources—such as \$50 from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge; \$25 from the Church in Waterbury; \$12 50 from the Church in Watertown; \$12 50 from the Church in Plymouth. A donation of \$10 has been received from a lady formerly belonging to the Parish, but now residing in Birmingham, Derby, and another of \$10 from a gentleman in the city of New York.

Since the last annual report from this Parish, the plan of having our house of worship repaired, which had been contemplated some time previously, has been carried into effect, by the expenditure of funds which had been raised for that purpose by a Fair, and by benevolent contributions from abroad, (\$50 of which were very generously given by a gentleman in the city of New York,) and the whole, amounting to the sum of \$320, has put the Church into as good a state of repair as its age and the present necessities of the congregation require, together with a new coat of paint over the parsonage house and front fence.

Another valuable token of the interest which is felt in our behalf by friends who have before favored us with many kindnesses, has been furnished us, within the last year, by the donation of an Organ, which comes to us almost as a gratuity, requiring but little upwards of one-fourth part of its actual worth from the members of the Parish to secure it to themselves as a permanent possession. For the assistance which has been rendered us in gaining this valuable auxiliary to the growth and future increase of our congre-

gation, and for the advantages which may be expected to result from it to the Parish, by its novelty and attractiveness, (as it is the first introduced into our village,) acknowledgments are due to two individuals in New York for the receipt of \$50; a member of the Church in Waterbury, for \$10; a member of the Parish in Derby, for \$15; together with \$50 subtracted from the price of it by the owner, in consideration of its going to an Episcopal congregation in destitute circumstances.

The gradual increase of our congregation within the last year, and the enlarged amount which was raised by the disposal of the Pews, at the last annual meeting, on Easter Monday, affords us ground for hope that the assistance which has so far been rendered us by the Christian Knowledge Society and the Parishes, has not been in vain, and that the members of our Church will be able, at no distant period, to relieve their friends abroad of a part of that pecuniary burden which they have been so willing to sustain on our account.

The members of the Ladies' Sewing Society, have continued their meetings during the past year, with much encouraging success, and the condition of the Parish has been generally prosperous—the most adverse event which has happened to it, in a temporal point of view, being that of the loss of its bell, which was fractured by the unwarranted liberties that were taken with it on the morning of the 4th of July last. Its members have done much within the last year, to extricate themselves from debt, having completed almost entirely the payments which were due for the erection of their parsonage. So far as present appearances will enable us to judge, we see no obstacle which is to prevent this Parish from being able at some future, and we hope at no very remote time, to take its rank among the self-supporting Parishes of this Diocese. Its *spiritual* condition is not yet such as could be desired. But we hope that the efforts which are making by its members in the very laudable work of sustaining the Gospel Ministry among them, will be blessed to their improvement in this respect, and will be instrumental in bringing them to more serious earnestness and concern for the welfare of their souls.

At the request of individuals residing in the adjoining town of Southbury, Divine Service has been performed there four times within the last year to large and seemingly interested congregations; and the desire for more frequent and stated services has been expressed by the people of that place

TRINITY CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.

REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D. RECTOR.

Families, 36; communicants, 39; baptisms—children, 4; deaths, 6; marriages, 1; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 35; charitable contributions, \$20.

My services in this Parish, for one-half of the time, commenced anew the Sunday after Easter, 1840. I found them rather in a depressed state, owing, probably, to the removal of some two or three individual clergymen from among them, with whom they had, at different periods, for several years, been happily connected. Changes of this sort seem to operate against them, especially as they had been frequent. The Parish appears now to have recovered, in some measure, from that despondency, and would be willing to make still greater efforts, if by doing so they could secure the services of a Minister for a larger share of time. Such a change in their condition, they would willingly make. On the whole, I regard them now, much as I have always done, differently situated from most other Churches in the immediate neighborhood, having less room to grow, less material to

build with; but still, as a Parish, that is outdone by very few in their endeavors to sustain the Church, and to enjoy its blessings.

CHRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON.

REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D. RECTOR.

Families, 25; communicants, 23; baptisms, 2; deaths, 3; marriages, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 4, scholars, 15; charitable contributions, \$10.

The prospects of this Parish are, to human appearance, good. They commenced anew, less than three years ago, with not more than twenty or thirty hearers, without a Church, and with little hope that they should ever again have one. They have now a usual congregation of one hundred or more, and are apparently still increasing in numbers, as well as in zeal and attachment to the cause. During the past winter, they have met in their new Church, which was consecrated for them last Autumn. They seem to realize its worth to them as a Parish, and do not yet despair of being able to pay the balance of the debt incurred in its erection. After all, the prospect, more than what has yet been realized, is chiefly to be regarded in this place. With proper attention on their part, and with that encouragement which the Christian Knowledge Society in this Diocese ought to be enabled to extend, and especially by the blessing of God on the labors of a faithful clergyman, this little Parish may be destined to rise into importance.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.

Families, 85; baptisms—infants, 12, adults, 3; confirmed, 9; communicants—added, by removals, 4, anew, 6, lost, by death, 2, removals, 7, total, 72; marriages, 4; burials, 12; Sunday School—teachers, 17, scholars, 97; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$27 62: to Domestic Missions, \$8 50; Christian Knowledge Society, \$5; other objects, \$14 12.

This Parish, during the past year, has succeeded in liberating itself from a debt of several hundred dollars, under which it had long labored; and being thus free from this source of embarrassment, it has made an effort, for the first time since its organization, to sustain the entire services of a clergyman. Could the fostering hand of the Christian Knowledge Society be extended to it for a year or two, I doubt not it would then be able, with the Divine blessing, to support, without further assistance, the ministrations of the Gospel, and would likewise gladly impart to others in need, more liberally than hitherto it has been possible to do, the benefits which it has itself received.

With respect to the spiritual condition of the Parish, nothing demanding especial notice has occurred since it was last reported. We have reason to believe that our course is onward; and if too many instances may be found of lukewarmness, neglect of the ordinances, and of spiritual declension, many others may be witnessed of deep and humble piety, and of enlightened Christian zeal, which afford evidence of the fullness and power of the Gospel to support and comfort the soul in the trying scenes of life, and which have tended greatly to uphold the hands and to strengthen the heart of the Minister, in the comforting belief that he "has not run" entirely "in vain, neither labored in vain."

— CHURCH, MIDDLEBURY.

REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.

Families, 21; confirmed, 1; communicants—added, anew, 3, lost, by

death, 2, total, 22; burials, 2; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$5 23: to Christian Knowledge Society, \$3; Church Scholarship Society, \$2 23.

My engagements with this Parish terminated at Easter, since which time it has been without the stated services of the Church.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, RIDGEFIELD.

REV. WARNER HOYT, RECTOR.

Families, 65; baptisms—infants, 14, adults, 6; confirmed, 19; communicants—added, anew, 20, by removals, 6, lost, by death, 2, by removals, 6, total, 116; marriages, 5; funerals, 12; Sunday School—teachers, 13, scholars, 55; contributed for Missionary purposes, and Christian Knowledge Society, \$36 84; raised by the Ladies' Sewing Society, for Church objects, \$45; total, \$81 84.

The Rector is happy in being able to report his Parish as continuing united and prosperous. The Parish has taken measures for building a new Church. The greater part of the funds requisite for its completion have been already secured. Every step taken for the promotion of this end has thus far been made with great cheerfulness and perfect unanimity, and it is expected that in a few weeks the corner stone will be laid of a Church edifice of considerably larger size than that in which we now worship.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

REV. ENOCH HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 13, adults, 2; marriages, 11; burials, 17.

There has been no very marked change in the aspect of this Congregation for the past year. At Easter, some persons who have not usually worshipped with us, took pews, and regularly attend our services. Our Organ has been repaired, and a good choir of singers are attending the instructions of a teacher, who promise to improve this portion of public worship. Seven have been added to the list of our communicants. This congregation being scattered over an area of nearly 12 square miles, pastoral duty is necessarily very laborious to any minister connected with it.

CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLE HADDAM.

REV. B. S. HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

Families, 42; baptisms—adults, 5; communicants—added, by removals, 5, anew, 25, total, 50; marriages, 4; burial, 1; Bible class, 25.

The Sunday School, formed a year since, has, during the winter, constituted the Bible Class, but is soon to be re-organized, as before. Some of the scholars are among the number who have been added to the communion. Others in the congregation indulge the belief, that they have experienced "the great change," but are waiting for further evidence of the fact before making a public profession.

REV. A. JACKSON, PROFESSOR IN WASHINGTON COLLEGE.

I have been engaged, during the past year, in discharging the duties of Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy, and Lectures on Chemistry, in Washington College.

CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

REV. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., PRESBYTER, RECTOR ; REV. JOHN WILLIAMS, DEACON, ASSISTANT.

The fourth annual address, designed for the Parish meeting on Monday in Easter week, was, at the request of many of the Parishioners, delivered by the Rector in the afternoon of Easter Sunday. An abstract of such parts of it as relate to the statistics of the Parish, is here presented to the Bishop.

After the appointment of the General Convention of 1838, had made it the duty of the Rector to write an Ecclesiastical History, drawn from original sources, he began to think of selecting an assistant, who could not only relieve him in some measure from parochial duty, but also aid him in the laborious researches which such a work would render necessary. His domestic calamities postponed that selection until the autumn of 1839. Arrangements having been made early in 1840, the subject was brought before the Vestry soon after Easter, and they unanimously confirmed the choice of the Rev. John Williams. Circumstances having rendered a voyage to Europe expedient, Mr. Williams did not enter on his duties until the Sunday after Easter, the 18th of April, in the present year. He has since continued his services, with the exception of one or two Sundays, much to the comfort of the Rector, and the acceptance of the Congregation. In making this change, the Rector was led to review the history of the Parish, and the results appear to him of sufficient importance to be laid before the Diocese.

Christ Church, Middletown, was founded in the year 1750. On Palm Sunday, April 8th, the Rev. Richard Mansfield officiated for the first time, with a view, no doubt, to the choice of Wardens and Vestrymen, on Easter Monday, the 16th of that month. On that occasion, five children were baptized, and one adult; and that adult was Jeremiah Leaming, one of the Fathers of the Church in Connecticut, and the first person chosen to the Episcopal office in the United States of America. The ministry of the Rev. Ichabod Camp continued from July, 1752, to July, 1760, a period of eight years, during which he administered 129 baptisms.

The Rev. Abraham Jarvis acted as lay reader, after he was graduated at Yale College, in 1761, till he went to England for Orders in the autumn of 1763. He returned and took possession of his Cure in July, 1764. From that time, his ministry continued until the autumn of 1799, two years after he had been consecrated Bishop of this Diocese. From a document in his hand writing, without date, but before the Revolution, it appears that the whole number of souls in his cure was 360, of whom 152 were communicants. During the Revolution, the Church suffered greatly, and doubtless was much diminished as to numbers; yet on the 17th of September, 1786, when Bishop Seabury administered the first confirmation, 127 persons are recorded as having received that Apostolic Rite, of whom 39 were males, and three were colored persons.

From his resignation, in 1799, till the year 1809, in which Dr. Kewley commenced his Rectorship, the Church was supplied at intervals, and very irregularly. The number of communicants had dwindled to 29, as appears from Dr. Kewley's report in 1810. The communicants were then 50, of whom 21 were new. A list of communicants, in 1812, in Dr. Kewley's hand writing, records 84. This shows the spiritual growth of the Parish under his ministry, which terminated on the 8th of March, 1813, when he removed to New York.

He was immediately succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Noble, then in Deacon's orders. The Parish continued to increase under his care. In 1816, the

number of families was 55, and in 1827, they amounted to 126. In 1814, the communicants were 85, and in 1823, they were 120. In 1827, the families were 126; 12 new communicants were added, and the whole number was stated as being 115. In 1828, the number of families reported was 120, and of the communicants, 116. On the 10th of September, of that year, Mr. Noble resigned the Rectorship.

In January, 1829, the Rev. Mr. Pyne became the Rector. A list of communicants, in his hand writing, states the number at the time of receiving his call, as being 60. Another list of communicants, added during his ministry, the last date of which is in 1835, records 41 names.

The Parish of Middletown has been remarkably fluctuating; and to this cause it must doubtless be attributed, that when the present Rector commenced his ministry, he could find only 80 families, single persons not being reckoned, and 74 communicants. As a proof of what is here advanced, respecting the fluctuations of this Parish, it may be observed that there are two lists, dated June 4, 1831. The former of 92 families, of whom 54 only remained in November, 1836; the latter of 107 communicants, of whom 56 remained at the same date. Thus in five years, the Parish had lost 38 families, and 51 communicants.

The number of families reported to the Bishop at the several Conventions, from 1837 to 1840, has been always 80, because the number of removals nearly kept pace with that of additions. The number of removals was, in 1837, 3; 1838, 7; 1839, 7; total, 17. The number of additions was, in 1837, 4; 1838, 7; 1839, 9; total, 20. At Easter, this year, for the first time, the Rector was able to state an actual increase in the number of families, which at that time amounted to 88.

The number of baptisms, also, has been greater, from Easter, 1840, to Easter, 1841, than in any preceding year. In 1837, there were 12 infants, and 2 adults; in 1838, 12 infants, and 1 adult; in 1839, 15 infants, and 3 adults; in 1840, 19 infants, and no adults; in 1841, 25 infants, and 3 adults. This progressive increase is cheering, as exhibiting the increased influence of correct principles.

So with regard to communicants. During the ministrations of the present Rector, to Easter, 1841, sixty communicants have been added; 34 anew, and 26 by removal. During the same period, of those who were communicants when he came to the Parish, 12 have died and 16 removed, and of those admitted by him, 3 have died and 12 removed. The last year was he able, for the first time, to report an increase of the actual number. This has partly been owing to his unwillingness to admit persons to confirmation, who were not sufficiently settled and grounded in the faith. With very few exceptions, all who have been confirmed in the Parish have come to communion. The number at Easter, 1840, was 85. Of these, 4 died, and 7 removed, previous to Easter, 1841. There were added, during the same period, 18; 10 anew, and 8 by removal, making the present number, 92.

Confirmation was administered by the Bishop, May 10th, 1840, to ten persons, nine of whom belonged to the Parish. Three had been previously communicants, and five have since been added. The influence of the Sunday School is now beginning to be visible. Few of the Catechumens have yet been confirmed, but a class is now under preparation for that Holy Rite.

The Rector regrets to say that the want of teachers, lamented in his last report, has continued hitherto. The addition of two gentlemen who are studying for Orders, and the aid given by the Assistant, will give new energy for the year to come.

The number of deaths in the Parish has been 12—4 infants, and 8 adults, of whom 4 were communicants.

There have been but two marriages, one only of persons belonging to the

Parish. The whole number since 1837, has been 12; five of which were extra parochial, and four have occasioned a loss to the Parish. The loss of the Parish, therefore, has been in most instances a gain to other portions of the Church.

The review of the condition, at various periods, of one of our most ancient Parishes, presents two important subjects for the consideration of Connecticut Churchmen. In the first place, the apparent stationary condition of our Parishes is no evidence of a want of increase. The population of the State has apparently continued stationary, or nearly so, for the last thirty years; but Connecticut has poured her overflowing population into our new regions. And so it may be with our Parishes. Every sound Churchman and faithful Pastor may cheer his heart by the consideration that the lively stones of his spiritual edifice, though taken from it, go to build up many a fair and goodly edifice in a distant land. Without detracting from the value of Missionary labors, it may safely be affirmed that those of the Connecticut Pastor are equally important. He is at the fountain head; and if the fountain be kept pure, the far distant stream will feel its influence.

The second subject which the state of the Parish of Middletown well illustrates, is the value of permanent ministrations. It has evidently flourished most while the means of Grace have been most steadily administered. God sends his blessing upon his own institutions. A parish can never be prosperous that is perpetually changing its Minister; and on the other hand, the faithful and unwearied discharge of pastoral duties has more lasting influence than the temporary excitements of novelty or eloquence. The latter is, indeed, a rare gift, to be humbly enjoyed and not lightly prized; but the increase of the Church depends mainly on the power of God's ordinances.

Of the charitable collections, exclusive of those at the Communion, there have been the following:

The offerings, from June 21, 1840, to March 21, 1841,	
amounted to	\$85 08
Of this amount, by a vote of the Parish, were appropriated to parochial purposes,	62 45
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Leaving to be appropriated to Missionary purposes,	\$22 63
Of which sum, \$5 were a special donation from the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Parish, for Domestic Missions,	5 00
Being deducted, leaves the direct contributions of the Parish for Missions only	<hr/> \$17 63
But to this must be added the collection, Sunday, June 6th, for the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge,	22 10
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Whole amount given by the Parish for Missionary purposes since the last Convention,	\$39 73
The Parish has also contributed for 50 copies of S. S. Magazine,	10 00
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Total,	\$49 73
Of which sum were given to the Society for Domestic Missions,	13 37
Ten copies are also taken of the Journal of Education.	

From the Juvenile Missionary Box of the Sunday School there has been paid—

For Christ Church, Matagorda,	5 00
For Domestic Missions,	1 63
For Church at New Albany, (Indiana,)	4 00
To aid a necessitous Student, preparing for the Ministry of the Church,	1 00
For the Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge,	2 77
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Being a total from the Sunday School of	\$14 40

The Rector has also obtained by private application, for the Church at Evansville, Indiana, \$13 25, as follows:

From the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Parish,	-	-	-	-	-	2 25
From a benevolent Family in his Parish,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
From various members of his own Family,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
From a lady residing in his family,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
From a lady visiting the same,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
From a student preparing for Holy Orders,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
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						\$13 25

The sums collected in the Parish for Missionary purposes, since the last Convention, have, therefore, been appropriated as follows:

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
For Christian Knowledge Society,	-	-	-	-	-	29 13
For a Church in Texas,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
For two Churches in Indiana,	-	-	-	-	-	17 25
For Sunday School Tracts,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
For a necessitous Student,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
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						\$82 38

[REV. W. JARVIS: no Report.]

REV. S. JEWETT.

Agreeably to the requisitions of the Canon, I have to report—That since February 10th, 1839, on which day I preached at St. James' Church, Westville, my ministerial labors have been suspended by ill health. On the 23d of September of that year, I set out on a voyage to Europe, from whence I returned in June, 1840, much improved in general health; but still the affection of the throat, (Bronchitis) was not entirely cured, and has since returned, at intervals, with more or less of severity. On this account, I have not, as yet, thought it prudent to venture on public speaking. I intend, however, soon to make a trial, inasmuch as I deem it my duty to devote whatever of ability I may have to the service of the Church.

Since my report in 1839, I have only preached once, and read prayers three times on ship board.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHANY.

REV. ISAAC JONES, RECTOR.

Number of families, 115; communicants—added, 3; removed or died, 1; total, 118; marriages, 5; burials, 6; contributions for the Christian Knowledge Society, \$5 22; Sunday School—teachers, 11, scholars, 61.

In relation to the Parish, in the course of the past year, nothing has occurred to lessen its peace and prosperity. All its affairs have been conducted with great harmony. Prayers and psalms, with music, instrumental and vocal, making melody in the heart unto the Lord, composed a part of the religious exercises of the Sunday School, as they did, also, the evening lecture of Sunday in the Church. Lectures also were occasionally delivered in different parts of the town. There were a number prepared for the primitive and apostolic rite of confirmation, but had no opportunity to receive the imposition of hands and the Episcopal benediction. In the house of prayer, an affectionate and attentive congregation, of old and young, consisting of between five and six hundred persons have assembled; several of whom responded like old Churchmen. The Parish has recently experienced a lib-

eral patronage, at the Ladies' Fair, large and sufficient to beautify and adorn the house of public worship. In addition, the Rector has been invited, without a dissenting voice, to continue his pastoral labors among them. He has assented. Still, in the advancement and maturity of his years, in the possession of bright and uninterrupted health, he asks for the prayers of his brethren; and for that Church of which he is the Pastor, he would fervently pray, "Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands, establish thou it."

TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.

REV. P. P. KIDDER, MINISTER.

Families, 70; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 1; communicants—added, anew, 4, lost, by death, 1, removal, 1, total, 45; marriages, 3; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, 55; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$34 53.

My connection with this Parish commenced the 1st of July, 1840. Since officiating here, I have had the satisfaction of witnessing an apparently increased interest on the part of many in the services of the Church, and a good degree of zeal manifested in efforts to secure the regular services of a clergyman. They are about erecting a Parsonage, which will probably be completed in the course of the summer.

It is with great regret, however, that I find so much apparent indifference on the part of parents with respect to having their children received into the Church by the Holy Sacrament of Baptism. I have repeatedly presented this subject to the congregation from the pulpit, either more or less directly, but with seemingly little effect. Since the young, who are early dedicated to God in that Holy Rite, and made members of Christ's body, are, and must be the chief hope of the Church, there would seem to be, on account of the apathy on this subject which we have alluded to, but small encouragement for the prosperity of the Church in Branford. Still, I hope the Lord has good things in store for this Parish.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST WINDSOR.

REV. Z. H. MANSFIELD, RECTOR.

Marriages, 4; burials, 4; communicants—deaths, 2, added, 1, total, 10; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 40.

The number of families attached to this Parish cannot be ascertained with perfect accuracy. The number of subscribers to the support of a resident clergyman was, the last year, 33. I officiated regularly in this Parish until the 1st of March, when the Parish feeling discouraged on account of their weakness, concluded that it would be impossible for them longer to enjoy clerical services the whole time. My time is now occupied in teaching, in Hartford, and in supplying vacant Parishes in the vicinity.

[REV. TRUMAN MARSH: no Report.]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D. RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 43, adults, 12; communicants—added, 19, lost, by death, 4, by removals, 2, total, 145; marriages, 8; burials, 21; Sunday School—teachers, 34, scholars, 150; confirmed, 24; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$200.

The Corner Stone of a Church edifice was laid by the Bishop on the 16th of June last, after a sermon by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Kemper. The building will be ready for Consecration in the first week of August. It is a beautiful specimen of Gothic architecture—a noble monument of the enterprise and zeal of the Parish, and highly creditable to the architect and builder. In consequence of the large demands on the liberality of the congregation for their new Church, the contributions for Missionary and charitable purposes have been less than usual. During the year, 332 volumes have been added to the Sunday School Library.

[REV. M. MOODY: no Report.]

[REV. J. H. NICHOLS: see Report of REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D.]

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

REV. ABEL NICHOLS, (LATE) RECTOR.

Families, 54; baptisms—infants, 1; communicants—added, by removal, 1, anew, 1, lost, by death, 3, total, 37; confirmed, 6; marriages, 3; burials, 6; Sunday School—teachers, 9, scholars, 40; Missionary and other contributions, \$44, of which \$30 were from the "Female Benevolent Society."

During the last year, this Parish has been connected with Christ Church, Oxford, which is now united with the neighboring Parish of St. Peter's. In consequence of this union, it became necessary to relinquish the charge of St. Mark's; the newly formed cure requires the entire services of the Rector.

I should be doing injustice to my own feelings, were I not to express my grateful sense of the kindness and regard uniformly manifested by the members of the congregation, for their minister. Punctual in all their engagements, and many of them, if not all, ever ready to second every effort of their Minister for the advancement of Christ's kingdom on earth, the promotion of the temporal and spiritual interests of the Parish; his hands have been strengthened, and his heart cheered during the entire period of his connection with them, and on leaving them he has the satisfaction of reflecting that the good seed sown by his predecessor has, during his own ministration, by the blessing of God, not failed to spring up, and to give fair promise of a future abundant harvest.

Although from the statistics above given, there does not appear any evidence of much spiritual improvement, yet, the general and uniform attendance on the public services of the Church, the growing attachment of the people to her doctrines and worship, and the increasing disposition to give to religion something of that serious consideration which its importance demands, afford strong reason for believing that the spiritual, no less than the temporal interest of the Parish, is on the advance.

CHRIST CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. ABEL NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 41; baptisms—adults, 3; confirmed, 5; communicants—added, by removal, 1, anew, 2, lost, by death, 1, total, 35; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, 50; Missionary and other contributions, \$31, of which \$25 were from the Sewing Society.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW CANAAN.

REV. DAVID OGDEN, RECTOR.

Families, 56; baptisms—adults, 5; confirmed, 11; communicants—added, anew, 11, lost, by removals, 2, by death, 2, total, 87; marriages, 4;

burials, 8; Sunday School—teachers, 14, scholars, 70; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$40.

The season of Lent was observed by the regular service, and a sermon on every Wednesday night. Services were also held every day during Passion Week. Although they were better attended than those of last year, still it is a matter of surprise and regret, that so few, comparatively, availed themselves of the privilege. When will those who profess to love the holy ways and promote the practices of their Church, live up to her requirements? In vain shall we cry "the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, are we," without the deep devotion of the Gospel, and a heartier desire to advance personal piety, and the interests of Christ's spiritual kingdom. Outward prosperity continues to mark the career of our Church. May there be no lack of increase "in the things pertaining to God," but may His good spirit stir up the hearts of people and Pastor, to more self-denying labors in the cause of scriptural truth and evangelical piety.

CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.

REV. S. B. PADDOCK, RECTOR.

Families, about 150; baptisms—infants, 20, adults, 12, total, 32; confirmed, 29; communicants—added, 29, lost, by removals, 18, by death, 2, total, 149; marriages, 8; burials, 5 in the Parish, and 5 out; Sunday School—teachers, 26, scholars, 150; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$550.

Besides collections for these purposes, the Parish has freed itself from a debt of about \$1250, contracted by building the Church. In addition to the ordinary Sunday services, Thursday evening lectures have been continued during the year, and Teachers' meetings held on Saturday evenings. No further increase of the congregation can take place without increased accommodations, several families being excluded this year for want of room.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. WM. PAYNE, RECTOR.

Families, 92; baptisms—infants, 10; confirmations, 6; communicants—added, by removals, 4, anew, 6, lost, by death, 2, by removals, 2, total, 108; marriages, 14; burials, 14; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, 80; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$125.

It is proper to state that a very few of the services here enumerated were performed in the adjoining Parishes of Milton and Bradleyville, which have been destitute of a Minister during a part of the year, and which, on account of their peculiar relation to my Parish, seemed to have a claim on my attention.

In addition, the Rector cannot refrain from recording the continued goodness of God to him and his people. Preserved from evil, we are going on, an united and prosperous Church. Although there has been no one particular event, during the past year, to encourage us, yet many circumstances conspire to make our condition more gratifying to the friends of Zion. Among others, it may be mentioned that the young people of the village seem to have their attention directed to the Church, to an extent heretofore unknown. Thus has our congregation been very much enlarged, and the prospects of its future growth are brightening. On the whole, at no former period have we had so much to encourage us, and never has the Rector felt a deeper interest, or cherished a firmer hope for this venerable Parish than at the present time.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, POQUETONUCK.

REV. DEXTER POTTER, RECTOR.

Families, 35; communicants—added, by removal, 1, anew, 3, total, 28; confirmations, 3; marriages, 1; burials, 1; contributions, \$21.

The labors of the past year have, under the blessing of God, much improved, in some respects, the prospects of this infant Parish. Causes beyond our control, have contributed, hitherto, to keep this Parish in a feeble and languishing condition.

Our house of worship has been in quite a dilapidated state, and what is worse, has been a free Church; and the question has long been doubtful what denomination, if any, would ultimately be established here. These causes, with the spirit of schism so long rife among us, and the prevalence of vicious doctrines, have exerted a most blighting influence upon vital godliness, occasioned a neglect of divine institutions and Church Communion, and given loose reins to the grosser vices.

But with the assistance of our sister Parishes, at Norwich and New London, we have succeeded, at length, in raising funds for a new Church, which is secured to ourselves. This accomplished, it is our purpose to build a Rectory, and thus, so far as buildings are concerned, our Church will be upon a good foundation for half a century. With our new Church, may our Divine Head send us new blessings of his grace, and make us an holy temple in the Lord, the habitation of God through his spirit.

ST. MATTEW'S CHURCH, WILTON.

REV. JOHN PURVES, MINISTER.

Families, 45; baptisms—infants, 7, adults, 7, total, 14; confirmed, 13; communicants, 50; marriages, 1; burials, 6; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 40.

I took charge of this Parish in July, 1840. It is in an improving state. The attendance at Church is good. During the fall and winter, a weekly Bible class was held; and in Lent, services suited to that season were celebrated. Both Bible class and Lenten services were well attended.

CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.

REV. NATHANIEL S. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.

Families, 135; baptisms—infants, 18, adults, 2, total, 20; confirmed, 14; communicants—added, by removals, 8, anew, 9, lost, by death, 5, removals, 2, total, 147; marriages, 5; burials, 10; Sunday School—teachers, 16, scholars, 150; Bible class, 40; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$172 33.

Our Missionary and charitable contributions have been given in behalf of the following objects:

For the Foreign and Domestic Missions of the Church, - - -	\$75 00
For the Christian Knowledge Society, - - - - -	25 00
To assist a neighboring Parish, - - - - -	12 50
By the ladies of the Parish towards furnishing a set of Communion service for the Church in Harwinton, - - - - -	10 00
For the Church Scholarship Society, - - - - -	10 00
For the poor of the Parish, in cash, fuel, and articles of clothing, - - -	35 00
In behalf of other objects, - - - - -	4 83

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Perhaps it ought to be added in this connection, that the Parish has

recently furnished \$1500 to provide a place of residence for their Minister; \$600 by subscription, as a perpetual loan, without interest. They have also raised a few hundred dollars more to furnish the Church with window blinds, and to paint the exterior of the building. Considering the general scarcity of money, and that the interests and resources of this community are mostly agricultural, these efforts are regarded as worthy of commendation.

Besides the regular services on the Lord's day, and the Bible Class on Sunday evenings, a course of Friday evening lectures has been continued through the past winter and Spring, on the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. These lectures are suspended during the summer months, to be resumed, Divine Providence permitting, in the ensuing autumn.

The Lent services, it is believed, were attended with very happy results.

The Rector of this Parish would not conclude his annual report without heartily acknowledging the goodness and mercy of God towards this community, in the bounties of his providence, and the more benign influences of his grace. We have much, as a people, for which we cannot but be grateful to the great Head of the Church, while we have every reason to be humble on account of the imperfections of our services, and our remissness in duty.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.

REV. RODNEY ROSSITER, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 2; communicants—added, anew, 1, by removal, 1, total, 63; marriages, 6; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 9, scholars, 56; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$34 50—to Domestic Missions, \$17 85; Foreign Missions, \$13 15; Christian Knowledge Society, \$3 50.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, EAST HADDAM.

REV. THOMAS G. SALTER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 9, adults, 3; communicants—added, anew, 9, lost, by death, 1; burials, 1; Sunday School—teachers, 15, scholars, 70; Bible class, 30; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$25.

My connection with St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam, has existed only since the last Easter. During the intervening period, the Parish has been very considerably increased. I have baptized 3 adults and 9 infants; nine have been added to our Communion. There are, probably, 18 now ready for the holy rite of Confirmation, whenever the Bishop's convenience will permit his visiting us. The Parish is at present enjoying, in a high degree, the smiles of God's providence and grace; and it is hoped and believed, that the Standing Committee will not allow us to suffer for lack of aid from the Christian Knowledge Society. I have full confidence that after the present year, no call will be made by the Parish of St. Stephen's upon the charities of this Society.

[REV. T. S. SAVAGE: Missionary to Africa.]

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DERBY.

REV. J. SCOTT, RECTOR.

Families, 112; confirmed, 2; communicants—added, by removals, 5, anew, 7, lost, by death, 2, total, 135; marriages, 8; burials, 23; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, 100; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$50.

This Parish, for the last few months, has been visited with unusual sickness, and has sustained a loss in the death of some of its valuable members. It is believed that these afflictive dispensations of Providence have had a sanctifying influence upon the hearts of the living. The members of this Parish have lately resolved to build a new Church. A lot has been selected and fixed upon as a site for the new edifice. A commendable spirit is manifested, and liberal subscriptions are now raising for the accomplishment of this object.

In this Parish, there are two associations for charitable industry; one of which is composed of ladies, and the other of girls, which has been formed within the last year for the purpose of educating an African girl at our Missionary school in Africa. This Church may be said to be in a favorable state, at the present time, both as it respects outward order, harmony, and strength, and internal spirituality. And from the prospect that a new and handsome Church is about to be built in the more populous and business part of the town, the hope is reasonably indulged that accessions will be made to our numbers, and that our condition, under the Divine blessing, will be rendered more promising and flourishing.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDHAM.

REV. HENRY BEERS SHERMAN, RECTOR, ELECT.

Families, 84; baptisms—infants, 4, children, 4, adults, 10; confirmed, 17; communicants—added, by removals, 2, anew, 21, lost, by death, 1, by removals, 4, total, 30; marriages, 3; burials, 10; catechumens, 25; charitable contributions, \$14.

Since my last report, this Parish has suffered considerably from removals, but these having been overbalanced by the current accessions, its condition in many important respects has improved during the year.

In addition to the duties pertaining to my own cure, I have preached upon 17 occasions in adjacent villages which are destitute of all Christian ministrations.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, AND ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL, DANBURY.

REV. D. H. SHORT, RECTOR.

Families, 94; baptisms—infants, 10, adults, 3; confirmed, 6; communicants—added, by removals, 7, anew, 5, lost, by death, 1, removals, 3, total, 99; marriages, 5; burials, 9; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, 40; Bible class, 30; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$41 98.

During the past year, this Parish has been without preaching seven Sundays, six of them on account of the illness of the Rector, and one on account of his being absent.

UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

REV. JOHN D. SMITH, RECTOR.

Families, 150; baptisms—infants, 12; communicants—added, by removals, 3, anew, 3, died or removed, 5, total, 73; marriages, 16; burials, 10; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, about 60; contributions to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, \$8.

The connection of this Parish with that of St. Peters, Oxford, ceased on last Easter, and clerical services are now performed in the Parish the whole time. At no former period have the zeal and strength of the Parish been so universally manifested as at the present time. Measures have recently been

taken to ascertain the number of all those who prefer or require the services of the Episcopal Church, on funeral or other occasions. The result of these inquiries may account for the great increase of families when compared with the number formerly reported. It has long been the custom here, as well as in many other places, for almost all persons not connected with any denomination of Christians, to apply for the services of the Church on all occasions that require any religious duty. The Parish now receives the benefit of all persons of any ability who require any such service from the Parish, and the result is that more persons attend the services of the Church than formerly, and a much larger amount is contributed for sustaining the Church. The present year, instead of holding services in the Church but half the time, as formerly, a sufficient sum is raised for services the whole time, and about \$150 more for repairing the Church. May the great Head of the Church prosper the Parish in spiritual, as He has already done in temporal things.

ST. PETERS' CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. JOHN D. SMITH, LATE RECTOR.

Families, about 60; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 4; communicants—added, anew, 1, died or removed, 2, total, 39; confirmed, 7; marriages, 3; burials, 4.

The above report is made to Easter, 1841, at which time my charge of the Parish ceased. Since the last report, this Parish has realized some pecuniary benefit from a very aged and worthy communicant of the Church, who died, leaving property amounting to ten or twelve hundred dollars, which had, for some years before, been deeded to the Church, under the incumbrance of a life lease. From its present pecuniary means, therefore, and the unwavering faith of those who desire its prosperity, the most, as well as the favorable auspices which it now enjoys under its present Minister, the Rev. Abel Nichols, it is confidently believed that by the blessing of God, it will grow in grace, and in the knowledge and love of God.

[REV. A. SPOONER : 10 Report.]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HUNTINGTON.

REV. GEO. A. STERLING, MINISTER.

Families, about 50; baptisms—infants, 3; confirmed, 6; communicants—added, 7, lost, by death, 3, total, 35; Sunday School—teachers, 5, scholars, 26; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$35.

This Church has been through various vicissitudes of fortune, from high to low. From having been at one period of its existence, nearly the most prosperous in the Diocese, for the last few years it has considered itself among those things going to decay. But by the good providence of God, we have reason to believe that at present it rejoices in some hopes of resurrection. The Parish is now engaged in building a handsome Rectory.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WOLCOTT.

REV. SERVILIUS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families, 30; baptisms—infants, 6; communicants—added, anew, 8, lost, by death, 1, present number, 55; marriages, 6; burials, 9; Sunday school—teachers, 7, scholars 30; Bible class, 20; contributions to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$2 50.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

S. S. STOCKING, RECTOR.

During the time intervening between the last Convention and Easter, I officiated as minister in St. Andrew's Church, Meriden; for the state of which Parish, and for the clerical acts therein performed during that time, I must refer to the report of the present officiating Clergyman.

On the first Sunday after Easter, I took charge of Trinity Church, Newtown, from the records of which, I learn that there are belonging to the Parish,

Families—190; communicants, 177; that during the last ecclesiastical year, there have been, baptisms—infants, 3; confirmed, 3; no marriages or deaths are found recorded. Since the commencement of my labors in this Parish, there have been, burials, 7; baptisms—infants, 3; marriages, 1.

The Sunday school has been newly organized, and the interest and zeal manifested, both by teachers and scholars, give encouraging promise of success. Connected with the school, are, teachers, 21, scholars, 125. The latter number, it is probable, will be increased in the course of the season, to nearly 200. I find belonging to the Church, two Libraries—one for the use of the Sunday School, containing about 450 volumes; the other, containing about 300 volumes, for the use of the adults belonging to the Society. It is in contemplation to enlarge both of these libraries soon, by the purchase of new books.

The Church offerings, which have been suspended during the last year, have been recently renewed, and the amount already collected and pledged, is about fifty dollars.

I take much pleasure in being able to report, that the Parish is united and zealous. A liberal appropriation has been recently made for the purpose of refitting the inside of the Church edifice, and, as the plans are now nearly completed, the work will be commenced in the course of a few days. For the purpose of assisting in *furnishing* the Church, the ladies of the Parish have organized a sewing Society, which meets weekly, and I trust will result in good to the religious as well as the secular interests of the Society.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STAMFORD,

REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, RECTOR.

Families, 106; baptisms—infants, 3, adults, 5; confirmed, 24; communicants—added, 8, lost, by death, 1, present number 138; Sunday school, teachers, 10, scholars, 60, library, volumes, 280; collection for Christian Knowledge Society, \$17; to Jubilee College, \$35; to building Church at Southport, Wisconsin, \$30; to Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church, \$73.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, little has occurred of special interest in the Parish. In the last two of my reports, I took occasion to mention the insufficiency of room in our present place of worship, to accommodate the congregation, and expressed the hope, that at no distant period, a building would be erected, adequate to the wants of the Parish. Although I have reason to believe, that those among whom I labor, and have professed Christ before men, are advancing in the divine life, and are anxious to promote the glory of God, by being instrumental in bringing others with themselves to confess the faith once delivered to the Saints, yet I am compelled to lament that the growth of the Church, in this portion of it, is greatly impeded in consequence of a deficiency of room in the building now occupied. On Easter Monday, a building committee was appointed, and instructed to proceed in the erection of a Church, so soon as five thousand

dollars shall have been subscribed. What the result will be, I will not now conjecture. I hope and pray for the best. A little of that zeal and devotion which characterized the early Christians, would, I think, ensure success, and compel us to a zealous discharge of those duties which we owe to those who have not as yet been brought within the enclosure of the Christian Church. Alas! that this apathy of professing Christians of the present day, should be so familiar, as not to render it incredible. Although our duty is obvious and most imperative, yet the habit of neglecting it has become so fixed, that it is an occasion neither of surprise or of regret. Surely the self-consuming pity of the Saviour should become the only parallel to the emotions of his followers.

Still, although our hopes have been disappointed thus far, in the erection of a new Church, adequate to the wants of the Parish, we have abundant cause to bless God for the measure of success with which he has crowned our labors—for the peace and harmony which prevails among us—and the prospect of future good.

CHRIST CHURCH, READING.

REV. CHAS. J. TODD, MINISTER.

Families, 57; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants—added, anew, 2; marriages, 4; burials, 4; Sunday school—teachers, 15, scholars, 63; charitable contributions, \$10.

——— CHURCH, WESTON.

REV. CHAS. J. TODD, MINISTER.

Families, 30; baptism, 1; Sunday school—teachers, 8, scholars, 50; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$19 55.

CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.

REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, RECTOR.

Families, 85; baptisms—infants, 3, adults, 1; confirmed, 8; communicants—added, anew, 3, removal, 1, present number, 83; marriages, 4; burials, 7; Sunday school—teachers, 12, scholars, about 70; a Bible class was commenced last fall, but owing to the Rector's ill health, it was relinquished. The monthly offerings, from last Convention to Easter of the present year, amount to \$41 29.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE.

REV. S. TOTTEN, D. D. PRESIDENT.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, my time has been wholly employed in the duties of my station as President of Washington College. The only duties strictly clerical which I have performed, are lectures to the students in the College Chapel, and occasional services in the vicinity of Hartford, either to supply vacant Parishes, or to assist my brethren in the ministry.

The condition of the College is much the same as it was at the time of my last report. Whole number of students, including 3 resident graduates, 83; communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church, 33; other denominations, 5. It is not in my power to state what number of students are preparing for the ministry, yet it might be well to state one fact for the information of those interested in clerical education, and that is, that the greater part of those who are preparing for the ministry are aided by societies connected with the

Church, in this and other Dioceses. All these have their tuition remitted to them, and this has been for years a heavy burden upon the College. It is certainly to be desired, that more of those who have the means of paying all the expenses of their education should devote themselves to the ministry; but if this cannot be hoped for, it is time that some provision should be made for clerical education, either by endowing permanent scholarships in the College, or giving candidates for the ministry the means of paying their College dues. If this College were now relieved of this burden, its income would be about equal to its expenditures. This would not be, however, sufficient for the wants of the College. We want funds for the erection of another building, for the purchase of philosophical and chemical apparatus, for astronomical instruments, and the gradual increase of the library. It is true, we may struggle along for years to come, as we have for years past, with the means of carrying our students respectably through the undergraduate course; but the Church needs an institution of a higher order—one which may form a centre of literary and scientific influence, in connection with the Church which may be to the Episcopal Church in New England what the Universities of Cambridge and Oxford have been to the English Church. It is not to be doubted that there is sufficient ability in the Church to do this, and if the importance of the measure were duly appreciated, it would be done. A small portion of the legacies which, through mere forgetfulness of the claims of the College, are bequeathed by Churchmen to those whom they benefit but little, would in a short time amount to enough to make Washington College an institution of which every Churchman might be justly proud. It is probable that during the present year, an attempt will be made to raise by subscription a sum sufficient to erect another building and supply other pressing wants of the College.

CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families, 40; confirmed, 7; communicants—added, by removals, 2, total, 38; marriages, 1; burials, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 25; Bible class, 6; contributions—Domestic Missions, \$10 50; Christian Knowledge Society, \$5 50.

In addition to these sums, contributions have been made for the Sunday School Library, and to defray the expense of remodeling the seats in the Church, by which the comfort of the worshippers is much promoted.

Besides, a subscription is nearly completed for the purchase of outer window blinds for the entire edifice, at an expense of about \$50; for which purpose a very liberal donation has been made by the Ladies' Sewing Society, which is in very efficient operation.

This Parish may be said to be *externally* prosperous, but there is a backwardness on the part of some to rouse from their slumbers on the Lord's day, and set their faces Zionward; and of those who convene where prayer is wont to be made, there is need of spiritual improvement, in order to the exemplification of pure and undefiled religion, and a constant advancement and growth of the Christian graces.

My services for the last year, as heretofore, have been equally divided between this and another Parish.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, (LATE) RECTOR.

Families, 38; baptisms—infants, 2; confirmed, 1; communicants—added, by removals, 3, anew, 3, lost, by death, 2, total, 38; marriages, 1; bu-

rials, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 5, scholars, 18; Bible class, 10; contributions—Domestic Missions, \$11 75.

I entered upon the duties of this Parish about the last of June, 1840, and continued to officiate regularly on Sundays one half of the time, until Easter. Residing 10 miles distant, I found myself too far removed to do the Parish or myself justice, and in consequence resigned at Easter, and accepted an invitation from the Parish of St. James', New Haven, (Westville,) concerning which I have nothing in particular or official to add to the report of the Rev. Mr. Chapin, my immediate predecessor, except that I have attended one burial.

The Parish of St. Andrew's, at Northford, is deservedly marked for its strict observance of the externals of religion, and it is to be hoped that the *form of godliness* is not without its *power*.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHLEM.

REV. I. H. TUTTLE, RECTOR.

Families, 40; baptisms—infants, 5, adults, 2; confirmed, 5; communicants—added, anew, 7, total, 51; marriages, 3; burials, 2 children of the Parish, and 2 adults temporarily residing there; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, about 36.

The Bible class is conducted by the Rector, on Sunday noon, and embraces, besides the more advanced scholars, most of the congregation who remain in Church during the intermission.

The continued zeal of this congregation in maintaining its last year's effort to sustain the entire services of a Clergyman, gives us encouragement to hope that this arrangement, with an appropriation from the Christian Knowledge Society, may be regarded as permanent rather than experimental. The addition of a small, but excellent Organ, procured with the avails of a Fair, (liberally aided by friends from abroad,) and the expenditure of about \$25 inside of the Church edifice, to complete the repairs commenced last year, gives to the interior the aspect of decency and order. Though the Church, in her necessarily large contributions for the support of the Gospel at home, is able to do little beyond the limits of the Parish, yet \$10 have been contributed to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, and \$8 50 to Domestic Missions. The increasing attendance on the services of the sanctuary, which we notice with gratitude to God, leads us to believe that the Gospel, as developed through the Church, is gradually winning the respect and affection of the people.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, RECTOR.

Families, 51; baptisms—infants and children, 14, adults, 2; communicants—added, anew, 27, lost, by death, 3, total, 69; marriages, 1; burials, 9; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, 50; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$44 70.

There would have been a report of a number confirmed, if Divine Providence had permitted our Diocesan to visit us before the sitting of this Convention.

It has been my habit to officiate three times on the Lord's day, during the last year, excepting the warm summer months. A Bible class has been holden a part of the time on Wednesday evenings, and a pastoral meeting, (or familiar social meetings, with a lecture and religious conversation, in the houses of the Parishioners,) has been holden on Friday evenings. This last has been especially useful. On Monday evenings, an hour is spent with

such children and youth of the Parish as are particularly interested in the subject of religion. On this occasion, the Rector inquires particularly into the religious experience or habits of each child during the week preceding the meeting. There are some 20 of the lambs of the flock who are thus met weekly, and there is a reasonable hope that we shall have it in our power, in due time, to advance them to the sacramental communion of the Church.

On the first Sunday evening in each month, a public Missionary meeting is holden. On the second Sunday afternoon in each month, a collection is taken up in the Church for Missionary and charitable objects; and on the third Sunday afternoon of each month, in the place of the sermon, a public catechetical exercise is attended to for the benefit of the children as well as the adults of the Parish.

I am happy and thankful to state, that during the past year, and particularly during a season of especial religious interest amongst us, in the course of the last six months, my own efforts as a pastor have been very faithfully and zealously seconded by many of our communicants. The Parish has manifested its kindness in making a liberal addition to the amount of my salary; and measures are now in progress for an enlargement of our house of prayer. To God be ascribed the glory for the good which has been wrought in our behalf. May he sanctify unto us his mercies.

GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

REV. WM. WARLAND, RECTOR.

Families, 32; baptisms, 3—1 adult, 2 infants; communicants, 30; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, 40; Bible class, 12; charitable contributions, \$35.

The state of this Parish has not materially changed since the last Convention. Its increase is not rapid. Another genius than Episcopacy holds almost entire possession of the field around us, and the annual accession to the whole population of the town is small. Our prospects, however, are as encouraging as at any former period. During the past winter, there has prevailed a greater degree of religious sensibility than usual, and several are prepared for confirmation, which it is expected will be administered in the course of the summer.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. WM. WATSON, RECTOR.

Families, 101; baptisms—infants, 9, adults, 2; confirmed, 18; communicants—added, by removals, 3, anew, 18, lost, by death, 1, removals, 8, total, 199; marriages, 1; burials, 7; Sunday School—teachers, 22, scholars, 119; Bible class, 48; contributions—Church Missions without the Diocese, \$66 60; to aid in the erection of a Church edifice in Plymouth, Ohio, \$23; General Theological Seminary, \$10; Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, \$50; Church Scholarship Society, from the Ladies' Education Society, \$88; collections on hand unappropriated, \$10 99; total, for objects *without* the Parish, \$248 59.

Besides contributing to the several institutions of the Church, and sustaining all those internal operations which are essential to the prosperity of every Church, this Parish has, within the past year, furnished their house of worship with a very excellent Organ, at a cost of from \$600 to \$700.

The foregoing statistics show that, by the blessing of God, the condition of this Parish is prosperous. We report, it is true, a smaller number of families than last year; but while we have lost, to an uncommon degree, by re-

moval, we can yet rejoice that the Church at large has sustained no loss. Our diminution does but serve to swell the lists of other Parishes. With this, we are content. The smaller number reported as belonging to the Bible class, is in consequence of a suspension of two branches of it in out districts of the town, and not from any falling off where it is held.

The services of the Lord's day were never better attended with us than at present. Through the season of Lent, the Church was open for service and a lecture, every Wednesday, and for prayers every Friday. In Passion week, a daily service and lecture were sustained. The attendance on these exercises, though not as large as could have been desired, was yet such as to show that they were not unappreciated; the numbers convened on days when prayers *alone* were to be had, was greatly encouraging. The spirit of supplication seemed more than heretofore, to be poured out upon us from on high, and it is believed much was done by these exercises, towards building us up as a Church, in that holiness which is the Church's glory.

[REV. R. WARNER : no Report.]

[REV. J. WILLIAMS : see Report of REV. S. F. JARVIS, D. D.]

CHRIST CHURCH, STRATFORD.

REV. EDWIN WILSON WILTBANK, RECTOR.

Families, 109; baptisms—infants, 13, adults, 3; confirmed, 4; communicants—added, by removals, 8, anew, 6, lost, by death, 1, removals, 5, total, 130; marriages, 3; burials, 9; Sunday School—teachers, 11, scholars, 80; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$199 52; by Ladies' Sewing Society for Church objects, \$45; total, \$244 52.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, EAST PLYMOUTH.

REV. F. B. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

Families, 42; baptisms—infants and children, 5, adults, 4, total, 9; confirmed, 6; communicants—added, by removals, 2, anew, 8, lost, by removals, 9, total, 59; marriage, 1; deaths, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 19, scholars, 70; Missionary contributions, \$8.

The services of the Church in this place continue to be as well attended as in the preceding year, though the ability of the Parish, in a pecuniary point of view, is considerably diminished. The loss of an establishment for wool carding and cloth dressing, together with a tannery, which was totally consumed by fire, with a considerable amount of wool, has deprived the Parish of some of that *solid support* which is so indispensable for the comfort and convenience of the community. Nevertheless, they succeeded in filling the subscription to sustain a clergyman with them another year. To accomplish this, it required that those who had before contributed *liberally*, should give *more liberally*, and that those whose diminished ability made them feel poor, should manifest a *rich* inclination. If all Parishes would 'go and do likewise,' very few in the Diocese would be without a clergyman the whole time. We have also suffered, as will be seen, by removals. A few families have removed, among which was that of one of our Wardens, and Sunday School superintendent. But by the blessing of God, others, who of late put their hands to the plough, are looking forward, and we trust have entered these stations with a firm hand and a devoted heart. In addition to our other afflictions, wasting disease has appeared with a heavy hand. In one instance, the strong man has bowed beneath the stroke of death. In another, the prospective happiness of youth has been cut off in an unexpect-

ed moment. May "the grace of God which bringeth salvation," sanctify to this people their afflictions, and work out for them "a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENWICH.

REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Families, 54; baptisms—infants, 13, adults, 4; confirmed, 6; communicants—added, by removals, 1, anew, 7, removals, 3, present number, 43; marriages, 2; burials—infants, 4, adults, 5; Sunday school—teachers, 7, scholars, 40; Missionary and other charitable contributions, \$43 48.

Nothing of unusual interest has occurred since the last annual report. This congregation cannot soon be large. It may be remarked, however, that as the Church continues to be better understood in this town, she exerts a stronger and healthier influence. Prejudice is constantly receding, and confidence and good will are inspired. There is an occasional attendance of some who once regarded us with indifference, yea, distrust. And others, formerly of this number, we now claim, not only as well wishers, but as stable Churchmen of the good old school, in whose hearts are written, "Evangelical truth—Apostolic order." Hitherto hath the Lord helped us. And in the confidence of a certain faith and holy hope, we know that "He will neither leave us nor forsake us, while we do put our trust in Him."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKFIELD.

REV. E. C. BULL, RECTOR.

Families, 72; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 2; confirmed, 6; communicants—added, anew, 10, by removal, 1, lost by death, 1, present number, 86; marriages, 7; burials, 1; Sunday school—teachers, 7, scholars, 40; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$35 50.

Besides this, about \$80 have been contributed for objects within the Parish.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

This Parish being destitute of a Rector at the present time, the delegates would make the following report:

Families, 64; added, anew, 2, removed, 2; communicants—added, anew, 8, lost, by death, 2, by removals, 3, whole number, 96; marriage, 1; deaths, 4.

UNION CHURCH, HITCHCOCKSVILLE.

This Parish was organized in 1829, under favorable circumstances—having been a Missionary station for more than one year previous. Measures were immediately taken for the erection of a Protestant Episcopal Church, which were carried into effect, and the edifice was so far finished as to be consecrated on the 21st day of Sept. 1830. Owing to unfavorable circumstances of a pecuniary character, the Parish labored for more than six years, under great embarrassment, from which by the liberality of friends, and the spirited exertions of a few individuals among themselves, they were happily relieved in 1836. Since that time, by the assistance of the Christian Knowledge Society, the Parish has been favored with the services of a Clergyman for the greatest part of the time. The Rev. Silas Blaisdale, labored here for the last two years, and it is hoped, with some success. Since Easter Sunday, the Rev. Ransom Warner has spent three Sundays in the Parish; his services have been well attended. While the congregation

has been on a gradual increase, the number of legal members has been constantly diminishing by death and removals—there has not been a funeral, marriage, or baptism during the last year.

The number who subscribe for the support of the Church, is about fifty, some of whom are without families. Number of communicants, 12.

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1841.

Families in 70 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,421
Baptisms in 56 Parishes—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	577
“ “ adults,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	181 —758
Confirmation in 48 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	490
Communicants in 56 Parishes—								
“ added, by removals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	198
“ “ anew,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	508 —696
“ lost, by death,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	153
“ “ by removals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	204 —357
“ Actual increase in 58 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	339
“ Whole number in 70 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,879
Marriages in 70 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	262
Burials in 70 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	509
Sunday School, in 57 Parishes—teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	668
scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,730
Missionary and charitable contributions, in 61 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$8,844 78
For Parochial purposes, in 21 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$44,000 00

SUMMARY FROM 1819 TO 1841.

The following is a summary of the Parochial Reports since 1819. These Reports have always been imperfect, and therefore do not give a full view of the Church, but only an approximation to it.

Year.	Fam.	Inf. Bap.	Confirm.	New Com.	No. Com.	S. S. Schol.	No. Par.	Par. Rep.
1820	1083	539	352	71	2079		75	36
1821	1345	441	836	190	2729		75	37
1822	465	497	461	218	2663		75	42
1823	1839	525	356	182	3214		75	44
1824	1532	483	106	147	2809	565	75	46
1825	2575	472	258	76	4063	725	75	60
1826	3225	481	436	102	3908	870	75	61
1827	3658	490	223	178	3379	1651	76	66
1828	1977	374	346	149	3227	2058	77	48
1829	1809	389	215	243	2856	1412	78	42
1830	2071	472	242	167	2983	2484	79	51
1831	1910	270	345	249	3716	2155	81	49
1832	4552	739	1210	910	4729	4500	81	65
1833		No Con	vention.				81	
1834	4003	1193	926	847	5082	3859	82	62
1835	4502	480	233	266	4800	4188	84	62
1836	3949	502	331	322	4372	3303	86	64
1837	4212	274	102	260	4444	2919	86	65
1838	4505	598	546	600	4530	4530	86	70
1839	4401	493	300	592	4700	3795	86	68
1840	5059	475	422	580	5468	3294	87	63
1841	5211	576	490	688	5879	3780	88	70

The whole number of Baptisms reported in 22 years, or since our present Bishop has been over the Diocese, has been	- - - - -	12,768
Confirmations, in 22 years,	- - - - -	8,725
New communicants, in 22 years,	- - - - -	6,792
New Parishes, (Present No. 88,)	- - - - -	13
Additional Clergy, (Present No. 88,)	- - - - -	45

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION.

Rev. THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D.D., LL. D., Bishop; residing at Hartford.

Rev. William B. Ashley, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.

***Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, residing at Stratford.**

Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Guilford, and Union Church, Killingworth.

Rev. E. E. Beardsley, Principal of the Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.

Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.

***Rev. George Benton, Missionary to Crete.**

Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.

Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.

Rev. Daniel Burbans, D. D., residing at Derby.

Rev. Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn, and Christ Church, Pomfret.

Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.

Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Haven, and Christ Church, West Haven, and Editor of the Practical Christian and Church Chronicle.

Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury.

Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's Church, Bridgeport.

***Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Southport.**

Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.

Rev. Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Parish, New Haven.

***Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, residing at Litchfield.**

Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.

Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector of Grace Church, Hamden.

***Rev. George L. Foote, Minister of Christ Church, Roxbury, and St. Andrew's Church, Kent.**

***Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hebron.**

Rev. George S. Gordon, Minister, St. Andrew's Church, New Preston.

Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Britain.

Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James' Church, New London.

Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.

Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.

Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.

Rev. Warner Hoyt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.

Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford.

Rev. B. S. Huntington, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.

Rev. Abner Jackson, adjunct Professor of Ancient Languages in Washington College.

Rev. Samuel Farmar Jarvis, D. D. LL. D., Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.

Rev. William Jarvis, residing at Chatham.

Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.

***Rev. Isaac Jones**, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.

Rev. P. P. Kidder, Minister of Trinity Church, Branford.

Rev. Zebadiah Hyde Mansfield, Rector of St. John's Church, East Windsor.

***Rev. Truman Marsh**, residing at Litchfield.

Rev. William C. Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

***Rev. M. Moody**, Assistant Teacher, Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.

Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish, New Haven.

Rev. Abel Nichols, Rector of Christ Church, Oxford.

***Rev. David Ogden**, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.

Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.

Rev. William Payne, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.

***Rev. Dexter Potter**, Rector of St. James' Church, Preston, (Poquetonuck.)

Rev. John Purves, Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.

Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.

Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Monroe.

Rev. T. G. Salter, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.

***Rev. T. S. Savage**, Missionary to Africa.

Rev. Joseph Scott, Rector of St. James' Church, Derby.

Rev. Henry B. Sherman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Windham.

Rev. David H. Short, Rector of St. James' Church, Danbury, and St. Thomas' Chapel, Bethel.

Rev. John D. Smith, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.

***Rev. Albert Spooner**, residing at Norwich.

***Rev. G. A. Sterling**, officiating in St. Paul's Church, Huntington.

Rev. Servilius Stocking, officiating in All Saints' Church, Wolcott.

Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.

***Rev. Ambrose S. Todd**, Rector of St. John's Church, Stamford.

***Rev. Charles I. Todd**, Rector of Christ Church, Reading.

Rev. David G. Tomlinson, Rector of Christ Church, Trumbull.

Rev. Silas Totten, D. D. President of Washington College, Hartford.

***Rev. Henry Townsend**, Minister of Christ Church, East Haven, and St. James' Church, Westville.

Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, Minister of Christ Church, Bethlem.

Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Rector of St. John's Church, Essexborough, (Saybrook.)

Rev. William Warland, Jr., Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.

Rev. Wm. Watson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.

Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Tariffville, (Simsbury.)

Rev. John Williams, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Middletown.

Rev. Edwin W. Wiltbank, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.

Rev. F. B. Woodward, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, (East) Plymouth.

Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.

Total, 74.

The Clergymen to whom an asterisk (*) is prefixed, were not present at this Convention.

CLERGY NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1841.

Rev. Benjamin Benham.
 Rev. Peter G. Clark.
 Rev. R. M. Chapman.
 Rev. E. J. Darken.
 Rev. C. I. Good.
 Rev. J. Hull.
 Rev. E. J. Ives.
 Rev. W. F. Morgan.
 Rev. George H. Nichols.
 Rev. Birdsey G. Noble.
 Rev. George C. Shepherd.
 Rev. G. S. White.
 Rev. M. Wilcox.
 Rev. J. W. Woodward.—88

OTHER CLERGY RESIDING IN THE DIOCESE, 1841.

Rev. E. C. Bull, Minister, Brookfield.
 Rev. Charles W. Bradley.
 Rev. S. Nichols, Greenfield Hill.
 Rev. G. W. Nichols, " "
 Rev. F. Thayer, Stratford.—93

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

William G. French,	Giles G. Deshon,	Thomas T. Guion,
William Atwill,	Frederick Miller, Jr.	Joseph Salkeld,
Isaac D. Hubbard,	Benj. G. Whitman,	Augustus W. Hanson.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Diocese of Connecticut in Account with E. E. Beardsley, Treasurer.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
To Cash paid Stanley & Chapin for Printing Journal, 1840,	\$129 91	By balance from last account as per Journal, 1840, p. 55, \$78 09½
To Cash paid for doing up the same,	2 25	By Cash received from 49 Parishes as per Journal pp. 55, 56,
To Cash paid F. Croswell for Stationery,	62	
To Cash paid for advertising Notices of Convention and Standing Committee, in the 'Chronicle of the Church,'	2 00	
To Cash paid for Transcribing three Journals,	3 25	
Postages, Stationery, &c.	3 16	
To Cash paid for Book Case,	13 00	
	<u>\$154 19½</u>	
		<u>\$257 38½</u>
		154 19
		<u>\$103 14½</u>

The following Parishes paid their Assessment for 1841, as required by Canon II.

Christ Church, Middletown, \$5 00	Trinity Church, Newtown, 4 87
St. James' Church, New London, 5 62½	St. John's Church, New Milford, 3 75
Union Church, Humphreysville, 3 75	Grace Church, Hamden, 3 75
St. John's Church, Salisbury, 1 50	St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, 3 00
Trinity Church, Branford, 3 00	Christ Church, Sharon, 1 87
St. Andrew's Church, New Preston, 3 00	Christ Church, Trumbull, 1 87
St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, 4 87	St. James' Church, Westville, 1 12
St. Paul's Church, Woodbury, 3 00	St. Mark's Church, New Britain, 2 25
St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, 3 75	St. Paul's Church, Windham, 3 00
Christ Church, Greenwich, 3 75	Christ Church, Bethlehem, 3 75
All Saints' Church, Wolcott, 2 25	St. John's Church, Waterbury, 5 62½
St. James' Church, Derby, 3 75	St. John's Church, North Guilford, 1 25
Trinity Parish, New Haven, 18 00	Trinity Church, Bristol, 2 25
St. Paul's Church, Brookfield, 3 75	St. Peter's Church, Hebron, 2 25
St. Paul's Church, Huntington, 2 00	St. John's Church, Essex, 3 00
St. Peter's Church, Monroe, 2 00	Christ Church, Norwich, 6 75
St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield, 3 75	St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck, 2 87
St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, 3 75	St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, 6 00
St. John's Church, North Haven, 1 00	Trinity Church, Fairfield, 4 50
St. James' Church and St. Thomas' Chapel, Danbury, 3 75	St. John's Church, Bridgeport, 7 50
Trinity Church, Portland, 4 50	Christ Church Poquetonnuck, 1 00
St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, \$2 (and \$2 50 due,) 2 00	St. Matthew's Church, Wilton, 3 00
Christ Church, East Haven, 1 87½	Union Church, Hitchcocksville, 1 70
Christ Church, Hartford, 9 00	St. Peter's Church, Cheshire, 2 00
	Trinity Church, Brooklyn, 1 87½
	Total, \$179 45

The following Parishes did not pay into the Convention fund for the current year.

Northford,	Middlebury,	Bradleyville,	Bridgewater,
Milton,	Quakers' Farms,	East Windsor,	Watertown,
Milford,	Simsbury,	Northfield,	Kent,
Washington,	Salem,	Pomfret,	Saybrook,
Middle Haddam,	Reading,	Roxbury,	Wallingford,
East Haddam,	Oxford,	Southington,	West Haven
N'th Killingworth,	Stratford,	Weston,	
North Branford,	Stamford,	Granby,	
Guilford,	Westport,	Litchfield,	

APPENDIX, NO. II.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE, 1841.

*The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, in account with
Samuel Farmar Jarvis, Treasurer, Dr.*

1840.

June 10, To cash paid at sundry times after this date, on arrearages of appropriations made June 12th, 1839, and considered as due at Easter, 1840, being seventeen in number, as follows:

Rev. David Ogden, New Canaan,	\$25 00
Rev. Oliver Hopeon, Middlebury,	25 00
Rev. Henry Fitch, Hamden,	37 50
Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Essexborough,	25 00
Rev. David H. Short, Danbury,	25 00
Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Bristol,	25 00
Edward Hunt, delegate, Washington,	25 00
Rev. S. T. Carpenter, Salisbury,	25 00
Rev. A. B. Chapin, Westville and West Haven,	75 00
Rev. Charles I. Todd, balance due for Weston,	18 77
Rev. B. M. Yarrington, Greenwich,	25 00
Rev. Charles W. Bradley, East Haddam,	25 00
Rev. Z. H. Mansfield, Warehouse Point,	25 00
Rev. Silas Blaisdale, Hitchcocksville,	37 50
Rev. J. M. Guion, New Britain,	25 00
Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,	50 00
Rev. L. H. Corson, Branford,	25 00
	<hr/> \$518 77

Aug. 4, and 10, To Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Harwinton, appropriated Aug. 4, 1840, but considered as due at Easter, 1840, for Missionary services the preceding year,	200 00
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Total of arrearages,	\$718 77
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Oct. 9, To cash paid at sundry times, after this date, on the appropriations of this year, made Aug. 4th, and considered as due at Michaelmas, or September 29th, 1840, seventeen payments, as follows:

Rev. David H. Short, Danbury,	\$25 00
Rev. A. B. Chapin, Westville,	50 00
Rev. G. S. Gordon, Washington,	25 00
Rev. Edward J. Ives, Milford,	15 00
	<hr/> 115 00

Amount carried over,	\$833 77
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		By amount brought forward, \$833 77	
	Rev. Servilius Stocking, Wolcott,	25 00	
	Rev. J. W. Woodward, Salem,	15 00	
	Rev. B. M. Yarrington, Greenwich,	15 00	
	Rev. O. H. Hopson, Middlebury,	25 00	
	Rev. Z. H. Mansfield, Warehouse Point,	25 00	
	Rev. Dexter Potter, Poquetonnuck,	15 00	
	Rev. S. T. Carpenter, Salisbury,	25 00	
	Rev. S. Blaisdale, Hitchcocksville,	37 50	
	Rev. David Ogden, New Canaan,	15 00	
	Rev. J. M. Guion, New Britain,	25 00	
	Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,	25 00	
	Rev. P. P. Kidder, Branford,	15 00	
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	Total of Michaelmas payments,		262 50
1841.			
April 2,	To cash paid from Easter, considered as due at that period, three payments, as follows:		
	Rev. A. B. Chapin, Westville,	50 00	
	Rev. E. J. Ives, Milford,	15 00	
	Mr. Jesse Ives, by the Bishop's order, from Hitchcocksville,	37 50	
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	Total on account of Easter payments,		102 50
June 5,	To paid sundry postages the past year		46
	To loss in exchange of a sovereign, and by a counterfeit bill received at the last Convention,		2 04
	To balance in the Treasurer's hands, to be carried to new account,		194 17
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			\$1395 44

		<i>Per Contra,</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
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1840.			
June 9,	By balance from last account, as per Journal 1840, p. 59,	\$170 64	
" 11,	By cash, being the amount received at the last Convention from 41 Churches, in 38 towns, and a collection at the annual sermon in Trinity Church, New Haven, as per Journal of 1840, p. 62,	1020 15	
" 12,	By interest due this day on Miss Vashti Shermau's legacy,	22 02	
Aug. 4,	By cash received from St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, being an appropriation made by that Parish for Missionary services in Harwinton,	50 00	
" 4,	By cash received from Christ Church, Watertown, being an appropriation made last year for missionary services in Harwinton,	50 00	
" 11,	By cash received from Trinity Church, Fairfield, through the Rev. N. E. Cornwall, contributed previous to the Convention of 1840,	5 00	
Sept. 9,	By cash received from Trinity Church, Brooklyn, through the Rev. R. Camp,	9 30	
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		Amount carried up,	\$1327 11

	By amount brought forward,	\$1327 11
Oct. 6.	By cash, dividend on two shares Phoenix Bank Stock, declared in September,	7 00
Nov. 18.	By county meeting collection at Ridgefield, received this day from Rev. D. H. Short,	9 21
Dec. 7,	By cash from Christ Church, Westport, transmitted by the Rector,	5 00
" 29,	By cash from St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, transmitted by the Rector,	10 66
1841.		
April 10,	By cash from the same Church, transmitted by the Rector,	4 46
May 11,	By cash from Christ Church, Watertown, transmitted by the Rector,	25 00
" 12,	By cash, dividend on two shares Phoenix Bank Stock, declared in March,	7 00
		<hr/> \$1395 44

HARTFORD, JUNE 9, 1841.

The Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, acknowledges the receipt of the following sums during the present Convention, from the several Churches named :

Hartford County.

Hartford, Christ Church, by James M. Goodwin, Esq., delegate,	\$174 37
Bristol. Trinity Church, by the Rev. J. S. Covell, Rector,	7 00
New Britain, St. Mark's Church, by the Rev. John M. Guion, Rector,	4 25
	<hr/> \$185 62

Windham County.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church, by the Rev. Riverius Camp,	20 51
Windham, St. Paul's Church, by Mr. Taintor, delegate,	3 50
	<hr/> 24 01

New London County

New London, St. James' Church, by the Rev. R. A. Hallam, Rector,	20 00
Norwich, Christ Church, by J. Backus, delegate,	36 00
Poquetonnuck, St. James' Church, by the Rev. Dexter Potter, Rector,	15 00
	<hr/> 71 00

Middlesex County.

Middletown, Christ Church, by the Rev. S. F. Jarvis, Rector,	29 13
Portland, (late Chatham,) Trinity Church, by the Rev. S. Emery, Rector,	25 00
East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church, by James C. Hyde, delegate,	5 00
Essexborough, St. John's Church, by the Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Rector,	10 00
	<hr/> 69 13

Amount carried over, \$349 76

By amount brought forward, \$349 76
New Haven County.

New Haven, (Westville,) St. James' Church, by C. Warner, delegate,	5 00
Guilford, Christ Church, by the Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector,	8 00
Brauford, Trinity Church, by E. F. Rogers, delegate,	5 00
East Haven, Christ Church, by the Rev. H. Townsend, Rector,	5 50
North Haven, St. John's Church, by R. Pierpont, delegate,	5 00
Cheshire, St. Peter's Church, by the Rev. E. E. Beardsley,	5 72
Hamden, Grace Church, by the Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector,	6 00
Derby, St. James' Church, Rev. J. Scott, Rector,	12 71
Humphreysville, Union Church, Rev. John D. Smith, Rector,	8 00
Waterbury, St. John's Church, by the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector,	50 00
Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church, by the Rev. O. Hopson, Rector,	5 00
Middlebury, — Church, by the Rev. O. Hopson, Rector,	8 00
Wolcott, All Saints' Church, by the Rev. Servilius Stocking, Rector,	8 57
	<hr/> 122 50

Fairfield County.

Bridgeport, St. John's Church, by the Rev. G. S. Coit, Rector,	20 00
Fairfield, } Trinity Church, } " Southport, } " Chapel, } by the Rev. N. E. Cornwall, Rector,	17 00
Norwalk, St. Paul's Church, by the Rev. Wm. C. Mead, D. D., Rector,	23 00
Stamford, St. John's Church, by the Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector,	17 00
Danbury, } St. James' Church, } " Bethel, } St. Thomas' Chapel, } by the Rev. D. H. Short, Rector,	9 62
Brookfield, St. Paul's Church, by the Rev. Edward C. Bull,	25 00
Huntington, St. Paul's Church, by the Rev. G. A. Sterling,	7 00
Monroe, St. Peter's Church, by the Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector,	3 50
New Canaan, St. Mark's Church, by J. H. Smith, delegate,	10 00
Greenwich, Christ Church, by the Rev. B. M. Yarrington, Rector,	15 00
	<hr/> 147 12

Litchfield County.

Northfield, Trinity Church, by the Rev. F. Holcomb, D. D. Rector,	5 00
Harwinton, Christ Church, by the Rev. F. Holcomb, D. D. Rector,	5 00
Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church, by the Rev. Abel Nichols, Rector,	8 00
Sharon, Christ Church, by the Rev. S. T. Carpenter,	9 00
Kent, St. Andrew's by the Rev. Mr. Huntington,	4 00
	<hr/> 31 00

By amount carried up, \$650 38

	By amount brought forward,	\$650 38
Washington, St. John's Church, by the Rev. George S. Gordon,		2 02
Bethlem, Christ Church, by the Rev. I. H. Tuttle, Rector,		10 00
Plymouth, St. Peter's Church, by the Rev. William Watson, Rector,		37 50
Salisbury, St. John's Church, by the Rev. S. T. Carpenter,		9 00
New Preston, St. Andrew's Church, by the Rev. George S. Gordon,		11 62
		<u>101 14</u>

The following sums contributed for special objects :

From St. John's Church, Waterbury, by the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, to be appropriated to the Church in Woodbury, and considered as given for the year ending last Easter,	25 00
From St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, by the Rev. William Watson, to be appropriated to the Church in Woodbury, and considered as above,	12 50
	<u>37 50</u>

Total, 47 Churches, in 45 towns, contributed	758 12
June 8th. Contribution in Christ Church, Hartford, after the Annual Sermon, by the Rev. Joseph H. Nichols,	38 06
From Miss Bull, by the Rev. A. Jackson,	1 50
	<u>797 68</u>

June 9th. By a vote of Convention passed this day, paid to J. M. Goodwin, Esq., Treasurer of Church Scholarship Society, the amount received by mistake, from St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, on the 10th of April, as per Treasurer's account,	4 46
For a bad bill received and paid at the last Convention, and now returned by the Rev. Oliver Hopson,	2 00
Bills of broken banks received this day,	3 00
	<u>9 46</u>
	<u>\$788 22</u>

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

CHURCHES FROM WHICH NO RETURNS HAVE BEEN MADE.

<i>Hartford County.</i> —Glastenbury, Simsbury, Granby, Warehouse Point, Southington,	5
<i>Windham County.</i> —Canterbury and Pomfret,	2
<i>Tolland County.</i> —Hebron,	1
<i>New London County.</i> —Salem,	1
<i>Middlesex County.</i> —Mildde Haddam, Saybrook, North Killingworth,	3
<i>New Haven County.</i> —Trinity Parish, New Haven, 2, North Guilford, North Branford, Northford, Wallingford, Meriden, West Haven, Milford, Oxford, Quakers' Farms, Woodbridge, Bethany,	13
<i>Fairfield County.</i> —Stratford, Weston, Wilton, Ridgefield, Reading, Newtown, 2, Trumbull, Westport,	9

Litchfield County.—Litchfield, Bradleyville, Milton, New Milford, Woodbury, Roxbury, Watertown, Canaan, Cornwall, Goshen, St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, Hitchcocksville, . . . 12

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By Canon, VII, (1839,) it is made the duty of every Parish in this Diocese, to establish Parochial Collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church; and by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Christian Knowledge Society, passed August 3, 1837, the Treasurer was authorized to inform the several Parishes "that all appropriations to them, must be on the condition of having monthly offerings and clerical services." By comparing the receipts of the present year with those of the last, it will be seen that returns have been made from more Churches this year, and yet that the receipts fall short of those of the last year, \$231 93. When all the arrearages of the past year are paid up, the Treasurer will have in his hands only about \$560 of available funds for the present year; and unless he receives from those Churches which have made no returns, on or before the 1st of August next, the Board of Directors will not be able to appropriate even the small sums given last year. The Treasurer, therefore, earnestly requests that the Churches which made no returns at the Convention, will transmit them to him during the next month.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX, NO. III.

CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY.

HARTFORD, June 9th, 1841.

The Church Scholarship Society held its annual meeting at Christ Church, —the Rev. Dr. CROSWELL in the chair. The Report of the Board of Education was read and accepted. The Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

Resolved, That the Board of Education be empowered to apply to the Legislature for an Act of Incorporation for this Society should they deem it expedient.

The following officers were then elected:

Board of Education.

REV. SILAS TOTTEN, D. D.	ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq.
THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.	WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.
DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.	DENISON MORGAN, Esq.
LEMUEL HUMPHREY, Esq.	

REV. GEORGE BURGESS. *Secretary.*

JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq., *Treasurer.*

The meeting was then adjourned.

GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary.*

The Board of Education, appointed at the last meeting of the Church Scholarship Society, respectfully present their Report.

At the present time, the Society has eleven beneficiaries; of whom three have been added during the year. All of them are members of Washington College. Four are from Connecticut, five from Massachusetts, one from New Hampshire, and one from Rhode Island. Neither of the beneficiaries will complete his course at the approaching Commencement of the Institution; but others will probably apply for the same assistance.

The funds of the Society, as will appear from the report of the Treasurer, have been exhausted by the necessary appropriations for the College Term which closes in August. As the number of those Parishes which have contributed to this object is not large, and as the receipts from former beneficiaries are dependent upon circumstances which forbid great urgency in the application for payment, it may become indispensable that the Society should appeal more earnestly than usual to the Diocese, for more extensive and more liberal contributions. The Board of Education do not doubt that they shall be sustained in every appropriation to which they are pledged by the design, and by the former resolutions of the Society.

On a reference to former reports, it will be seen that the number of beneficiaries has not materially increased or diminished for several years. That, of the present number, only four should be from the Church in Connecticut, is a circumstance of somewhat painful interest. There is, indeed, a much larger number of young men, now students of Washington College, and natives of Connecticut, who will probably offer themselves for the work of the ministry. But there are only four who have been called out by the kindness of Christian friends, and induced to avail themselves of the offered assistance of this Society. If the ranks of the candidates for Orders were well replenished without that assistance, we could not but rejoice that it had become needless. It is not the province of the Board of Education to ask attention to the lessening number of candidates, except as it concerns the duty and intention of this body. But, with this view only, they cannot forbear to advert to the several statements on this subject, in the successive annual addresses of our Diocesan. In 1834 and 1836, twenty-four candidates were named; in 1837 and 1838, twenty-five; in 1839, eighteen; in 1840, but thirteen; and at the present Convention, only eleven. There is much reason to believe that a similar decrease will be found in most of the other Dioceses. At the approaching General Convention, a full view of the condition of the Church, in this as well as in other respects, will of course be secured; but in the mean time, its members in this Diocese have sufficient information to create a just anxiety and a zealous effort in behalf of a future Ministry. It has happened to more than one denomination of those who profess and call themselves Christians, that their congregations have declined, and their places of worship have been closed, for want of such men as could fill acceptably the station of the preacher. We suppose that the truth will always fasten itself on many, who will feel themselves constrained to say with St. Paul, "Wo is unto me if I preach not the Gospel;" and will rejoice, too, to be made the messengers of such glad tidings. It will be so; and if candidates for the Ministry are not raised up in sufficient numbers, both to fill the vacancies which may be presented, and also to extend constantly the borders of the Church, it must be, either because the truth of the Gospel in general, is not proclaimed with faithfulness and power, or else because the particular duty of preparation for the sacred office is not enough enforced on those who might easily obtain the means of theological instruction. Either, in such an event, there is too little zeal to replenish the company of preachers, or else the zeal of the Church has been too little guided into this most important channel. We,

and not the doctrine which we profess, must be the cause of any serious and lasting deficiency. We are thus called, by the most awakening thoughts, to look around us, and to seek, encourage, and assist, such young men as are willing to become, in this service, the soldiers of Christ, and to endure hardness, and such only. For, nothing is gained when, as in a few instances that have come under the knowledge of the Board, encouragement and aid have been afforded where there was too little strength of religious character to resist the various temptations that, in the acquisition of a liberal education, may surround the indigent.

This Society, therefore, must ask for beneficiaries even more earnestly than for pecuniary support. Of the latter, it has hitherto been provided with a competence, never much exceeding the need, and seldom falling much below it. But the ardent wish of those who guide its appropriations must be that the largest demands which the Church is prepared to answer may be made, through candidates of promising parts and steady piety.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Church Scholarship Society, in account with J. M. Goodwin, Treasurer.

Dr.

To cash paid 13 Beneficiaries in October, January and June, viz :

**Sandford J. Norton,
William Long,
John Kelley,
Abraham J. Warner,
James Mulchahey,
Charles R. Fisher,
Baylus Talbott,
Henry V. Gardner,
David P. Sanford,
James L. Scott,
Henry Olmsted, Jr.,
Israel Foot, Jr.,
J. L. Scott.**

\$895

\$895

Per Contra.

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1840.

May 26.	By Cash on hand,	-	-	-	-	\$140	63
June 12.	do. Christ Church, Middletown,	-	-	-	-	4	85
	do. St. John's Church, Bridgeport,	-	-	-	-	20	00
	do. St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,	-	-	-	-	4	51
	do. Trinity Church, Branford,	-	-	-	-	3	03
	do. St. John's Church, Waterbury,	-	-	-	-	80	00
	do. ——— Church, Middlebury,	-	-	-	-	3	00
	do. St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,	-	-	-	-	4	00

Amount carried forward, \$260 02

		By amount brought forward, \$260 02			
Aug. 6.	By Cash, Trinity Church, New Haven,	-	-	-	80 00
	“ do. do. Church, Fairfield,	-	-	-	7 00
	“ do. St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,	-	-	-	88 00
	“ do. Warner Hoyt, refunded,	-	-	-	130 60
1841.	“ do. do. Interest on loan,	-	-	-	14 40
Jan. 7.	“ do. St. John's Church Waterbury,	-	-	-	80 00
May	“ do. Christ Church, Watertown,	-	-	-	10 00
	“ do. “ “ Hartford,	-	-	-	153 60
June 5.	“ do. J. M. Goodwin, Loaned,	-	-	-	71 38
“ 8.	“ do. St. John's Church, Waterbury,	-	-	-	76 00
	“ do. Trinity Church, Branford,	-	-	-	4 96
	“ do. ——— Church, Middlebury,	-	-	-	2 24
	“ do. St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,	-	-	-	4 96
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					\$983 16

Errors excepted.

J. M. GOODWIN, *Treasurer.*

SYNOPSIS.

Cash on hand, last report,	-	-	-	-	-	\$140 63
Refunded by Beneficiaries,	-	-	-	-	-	130 60
Interest received,	-	-	-	-	-	14 40
Donations from Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	626 15
Borrowed,	-	-	-	-	-	71 38
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						\$983 16

Clergy entitled to vote be present; otherwise, two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ART. 14. Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

ART. 15. No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by canon.

ART. 16. This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the journals of the Convention.

APPENDIX, NO. V.

CANONS

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

IN THE

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

CANON. I.—Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports. (*Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.*)

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention, of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages, and funerals, solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present, of cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, shall be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services, he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

CANON II.—*Providing for the Convention Fund.* (1838.)

The several Parishes in this Diocese shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

CANON III.—*Declaring the offenses for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitution and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offenses for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

CANON IV.—*Of the Manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offense charged, as coming within the offenses enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form:

To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut:

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H. of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided. [Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being: five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the Court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment—notice of the time and place of trial—and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defense on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty*, or *not guilty*, according to the evidence; and if guilty, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court; and an attested copy of this record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision; or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may, in his opinion, require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

CANON V.—*Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them.* (1826)

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offense for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

CANON VI.—*Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee.* (1826.)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present,—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other

matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

CANON VII.—*Concerning Parochial Collections.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

CANON VIII —*For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures.* (1828.)

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State, which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

CANON. IX.—*Concerning Annual Parish Meetings.* (1830.)

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting: which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

CANON X.—(1838.)

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence, to the Bishop.

CANON XI.—*Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to Seats in the Convention.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitutions and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

CANON XII.—*Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen.* (1839.)

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

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 " Silas Totten, D. D.
 " Henry Townsend,
 " Isaac H. Tuttle,
 " Thomas H. Vail,
 " William Watson,
 " Edwin W. Wiltbank,
 " Frederick B. Woodward,
 " Benjamin M. Yarrington.

The Rev. Messrs. *Beardsley* and *Huntington* were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the testimonials of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then adjourned to meet in St. Paul's Chapel, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, 3 P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Roll of the Clergy was called over, when the Committee appointed to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates, reported that the following persons were entitled to seats according to the Constitution.

*R. S. Nichols,	{	St. John's Church, Bridgeport.
George T. Thatcher,		St. Peter's do. Monroe.
Alden Seeley,	{	do. do. Waterbury.
John P. Elton,		Christ do. Westport.
Burrit Judson,	{	St. Peter's do. Cheshire.
Philo W. Jones,		Christ do. Hartford.
William Nash,	{	Christ do. Roxbury.
Benjamin A. Jarvis,		St. Michael's do. Litchfield.
Charles L. Hotchkiss,	{	St. George's do. Milford.
Samuel Tudor,		Christ do. Norwich.
Hezekiah Huntington,	{	St. Andrew's do. Northford.
*Stephen Sanford,		St. Mark's do. New Canaan.
Lacey Higgins,	{	Trinity do. Northfield.
Edwin B. Webster,		Christ do. West Haven.
*William Lord,	{	Christ do. Trumbull.
Andrew French,		St. Mark's do. Bridgewater.
Richard Adams,	{	St. James' do. } Danbury.
*Erastus Williams,		St. Tho. Chapel, }
Samuel Bartholomew,		All Saints' Church Wolcott.
John H. Smith,	{	Trinity do. Branford.
Herman Beach,		Grace do. Hamden.
Anson T. Colt,	{	Union do. Humphreysville.
Lee Woodin,		St. James' do. Westville.
*Elijah B. Middlebrook,		
Dunning Babbit,		
Platt Benedict,		
George W. Ferry,		
Levi Hall,		
Eli F. Rogers,		
*Jas. B. Bradley,		
Jared Bassett,		
John G. Smith,		
Clark Wooster,		
Newell Johnson,		

John Bishop,	Christ Church	East Haven.
William Moseley,	{	Trinity do. New Haven.
William H. Ellis,		
Joseph N. Clarke,	{	Christ do. Bethany.
William G. Hubbard,		
John Russell,	{	St. Michael's do. Naugatuck.
Seymour Tuttle,		
Lyman Bradley,	{	Christ do. Greenwich.
Nathaniel Carrol,		
Samuel G. Cornell,	{	St. Peter's do. Hebron.
Drake Mead,		
William B. Graves,	{	Christ do. Quakers' Farms, } (Oxford.)
*George A. Gillett,		
Ira Hyde,	{	Trinity do. Fairfield.
Burke Tomlinson,		
George Ogden,	{	Trinity do. Newtown.
Herman Peck,		
William B. Prindle,	{	Christ do. Watertown.
Aner Bradley,		
*John Buckingham,	{	St. John's do. Hartford.
Walter Phelps,		
William T. Lee,	{	Trinity do. Portland.
Daniel Russell,		
Alfred Hall,	{	St. Andrew's do. Meriden.
Henry Stedman,		
Edwin E. Curtiss,	{	St. John's do. North Haven.
Ezra Stiles,		
Edward N. Shelton,	{	St. James' do. Derby.
Moses White,		
Jeremiah Buel,	{	Union do. Killingworth.
Seth E. Lathrop,		
*Stephen G. Bucknell,	{	Christ do. Salem.
*Henry E. Russell,		
J. A. G. Comstock,	{	St. Mark's do. New Britian.
Heman Welton,		
Henry C. Smith,	{	St. James' do. New London.
Giles Tainter,		
Asa Jilson,	{	St. Peter's do. Plymouth.
Charles Todd,		
George Hall,	{	St. Paul's do. Windham.
E. H. Ives,		
Stephen T. Mills,	{	Zion do. North Branford,
Samuel Jarvis,		
Edson Camp,	{	St. Paul's do. Wallingford.
P. S. Bradley,		
	{	St. Paul's do. Norwalk.
	{	St. Paul's do. Woodbury.

Those with this mark, * prefixed to their names, were not present during the session of the Convention.

Thos. O. Chambers, a Lay Delegate from St. James' Church, Newtown, appeared without his certificate, and on motion of the Rector of that Parish, he was admitted to his seat.

The Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY was unanimously re-elected Secretary. WM. T. LEE, Esq., was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual Address, agreeably to the provisions of the VIIIth Canon, of 1841,

ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND OF THE LAITY:

During the session of our last annual Convention, it pleased Divine Providence to afflict me with a sudden indisposition, from which I do not yet feel myself entirely recovered. Through the last summer and autumn, my usual visitations were necessarily suspended, but since the opening of the Spring, I have again commenced a pastoral tour through the Diocese. Though grieved at this interruption of my Episcopal duties, I trust it has been my sincere endeavor to bear the chastisement of a merciful Father, with humility and submission, and to cherish a deep sense of gratitude for the measure of health and strength which has been vouchsafed to me.

Notwithstanding all the hindrances of the past year, I have been enabled, within the last three months, to visit more than forty parishes, and during the year, have administered the Holy Rite of Confirmation to 630 persons. The following is a list of the numbers confirmed in each Parish, viz:

July 1, (1841) New Haven, 90, }	152	May 8, 1842, Plymouth, (St. Peters,) . . .	20
May 18, (1842) New Haven, 62, }		" 9, " Wolcott, . . .	3
July 11, (1841) Glastenbury, . . .	15	" 13, " Norwalk, . . .	29
Sept. 26, (1841) Middletown, 14 }	21	" 15, " Guilford, . . .	10
March 24, (1842) Middletown, 7 }		" 16, " North Guilford, . . .	8
Nov. 3, (1841) Bridgeport, . . .	26	" 16, " North Branford, . . .	3
March 15, (1842) Cheshire, . . .	25	" 17, " Northford, . . .	6
" 16, " Branford, . . .	40	" 17, " North Haven, . . .	3
April 1, " Watertown, . . .	4	" 19, " West Haven, . . .	4
" 3, " Waterbury, . . .	34	" 19, " Milford, . . .	2
" 3, " Naugatuc, . . .	27	" 20, " East Haven, . . .	1
" 7, " Portland, . . .	7	" 20, " Westville, . . .	4
" 8, " Middle Had-		" 21, " Hamden, . . .	11
dam, . . .	22	" 22, " Humphreysville . . .	9
" 9, " East Haddam, . . .	13	" 22, " Oxford, . . .	11
" 10, " Essexborough, . . .	7	" 23, " Quaker's Farms, . . .	9
" 10, " Saybrook, . . .	8	" 24, " Bethany, . . .	5
" 12, " New London, . . .	17	" 29, " Hitchcocksville, . . .	3
" 13, " Norwich, . . .	28	June 5, " Hartford, Christ	
" 15, " Brooklyn, . . .	3	Church, . . .	26
" 17, " Windham, . . .	7		
" 27, " Sharon, . . .	5		
" 28, " Salisbury, . . .	2	In all,	630

In the interval between the last Convention and the present, five persons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and the same number to the Priesthood. Those admitted to the Diaconate are the following, viz: the Rev. Charles W. Everest, in Christ Church, Hartford, on the 7th of August last; the Rev. William Atwill, (by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, of New York, acting on my behalf,) in St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, on the 8th of September; the Rev. Frederic Miller, Jr., in Christ Church, Hartford, on the 27th of October; the Rev. Thomas T. Guion, in St. John's Church, Bridgeport, on the 6th of November; and the Rev. Joshua D. Berry, in Christ Church, Hartford, on the 2d of December.

The following is the list of the admissions to the Priesthood, viz: the Rev. John Williams, in Christ Church, Middletown, on the 26th of September;

the Rev. George A. Sterling, the Rev. George L. Foote, and the Rev. Paschal P. Kidder, in St. John's Church, Bridgeport, on the 6th of November; and the Rev. William F. Morgan, in Trinity Church, New Haven, on the 18th of May.

On the 8th of September last, a new and beautiful edifice was consecrated at Norwalk, by the name of St. Paul's Church. Being unable to attend personally, on the occasion, the service was kindly performed on my behalf, by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, of the Diocese of New York. The Church is built in the Gothic style of architecture, of spacious dimensions, affording ample evidence of the christian liberality of the Rector and Parish, as well as of the good taste of those who superintended its construction.

On the 14th of April, I consecrated the new Church of St. James, in the Parish of Poquetonnock. This is a neat edifice, in the Grecian style, and of the Ionic order. Though the Parish is neither large nor affluent, its members have evinced a high sense of what is due to the honour of God, by their liberal contributions to the services of his sanctuary.

The new Parish of St. John's Church, Hartford, which sprung from the superabundant growth of the Parish of Christ Church, in that city, and was admitted into union with the Diocese, at the last annual Convention, has contributed with great liberality to the erection of a suitable house of worship. I officiated at the laying of the corner stone of this edifice, on the 14th of July last, and on the 20th day of April, it was duly consecrated to the service of Almighty God, by the name of St. John's Church. It is a beautiful structure, of Chatham stone, in the Gothic style, and for architectural taste and propriety, it is surpassed by few Churches in our country.

I have the pleasure to record the erection of a beautiful Gothic Church in the village of Glenville, Greenwich, by the munificence of a single individual, Mr. Samuel G. Cornell, of that place. It has been conveyed by deed to the Bishop of this Diocese, and his successors in office, in trust, for the Protestant Episcopal Church, and was duly consecrated to the worship and service of Almighty God, by the name of Emmanuel Church, on the 22d day of April.

The edifice called Christ Church, at West Haven, was erected one hundred and three years ago, but never consecrated. Its frame-work being perfectly sound, it has recently been thoroughly repaired and renovated, in a very neat manner, and was duly consecrated on the 19th day of May.

On the 13th of May, I officiated at the laying of the Corner Stone of a new Church in Stamford, and during the same month, the Corner Stone of a new Church was laid in Derby, with the appropriate religious services. Both these edifices are to be of ample dimensions, and in the Gothic style of architecture. A new Church is now nearly completed in the Parish of Ridgefield, and will soon be consecrated.

Among the changes which have taken place since the last Convention, I have to record the death of the Rev. John W. Woodward, who was ecclesiastically connected with this Diocese, but had removed into that of Western New York. The following Clergymen have received letters dimissory to other Dioceses, within the past year, viz: the Rev. Martin Moody, the Rev. David H. Short, and the Rev. John Williams, to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Benjamin S. Huntington, to the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. John G. Hull, to the Diocese of Virginia; the Rev. Robert M. Chapman, to the Diocese of North Carolina; and the Rev. Foster Thayer, to the jurisdiction of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Kemper.

Within the same year, the following Clergymen have been received, with dimissory letters, from other Dioceses, viz: the Rev. David L. Devens, Rector of St. John's Church, Salisbury, and the Rev. Sylvester Nash,

Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam, from the Eastern Diocese; the Rev. Arthur C. Cox, Rector of St. John's Church, Hartford, the Rev. Robert Shaw, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Northford, and the Rev. John T. Cushing, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, from the Diocese of New York; the Rev. H. Stanley, from the Diocese of Virginia; and the Rev. John Morgan, from the Diocese of North Carolina.

Of those admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, the Rev. Charles W. Everest officiated for some months at Meriden, but relinquished that charge at Easter; the Rev. William Atwill has taken charge of Christ Church, Reading; the Rev. Thomas T. Guion has taken the cure composed of St. James' Church, Danbury, and St. Thomas' Chapel, Bethel; the Rev. Frederic Miller, Jr. is the Minister of St. Peter's Church, Cheshire; the Rev. George H. Nichols, has charge of St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury; and the Rev. Joshua D. Berry has temporary charge of the Academy at Durham, New Hampshire.

Since our last meeting, several changes have taken place among the Clergy of the Diocese. The Rev. Dr. Jarvis has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Middletown, and is engaged in the business of instruction, and in the fulfilment of his appointment as Historiographer of the Church. He is succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Wiltbank, late Rector of Christ Church, Stratford. The Rev. Mr. Ashley has resigned the charge of the Parish of Glastenbury, and accepted that of St. James' Church, Derby. The Rev. Dr. Burhans has accepted the charge of St. James' Church, Newtown. The Rev. Dr. Holcomb has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Harwinton, and confines his labours to the Parish of Northfield. The Rev. Joseph Scott has been compelled by ill health to resign the Rectorship of the Church in Derby; but having partially recovered, has taken temporary charge of the Parish at Warehouse Point. The Rev. F. B. Woodward has resigned the Parish of St. Matthews, Plymouth, and accepted the Rectorship of the Church in Bethany. The Rev. William F. Morgan has accepted the appointment of an Assistant Minister in the Parish of Trinity Church, New Haven.

The Rev. Z. H. Mansfield is absent from the Diocese on account of ill health. The Rev. Isaac Jones, and the Rev. Charles I. Todd, have resigned their charges,—the former of the Parish of Bethany, and the latter of the Parish of Reading. The Rev. Edward C. Bull has also resigned the charge of the Parish of Brookfield.

The following persons are now Candidates for Holy Orders, in this Diocese, viz: William G. French, Isaac D. Hubbard, Giles H. Deshon, Benjamin G. Whitman, Joseph Salkeld, William Augustus Hanson, Henry D. Noble, William H. Frisbie, James Bradin, Thomas M. Peters, William H. Clark, Henry Dekoven, Junius M. Willey, and Jonathan Coe, 2d,—the last named transferred from the Eastern Diocese.—David C. Maybin has also been admitted as a Candidate within the past year, but has recently requested to withdraw his name, for reasons satisfactory to me, and not affecting his religious or moral character.

The foregoing is a brief compend from my records of the past year. It has been hastily thrown together, while suffering under a recent indisposition. I have been unable to add any general remarks upon the state of the Diocese, or to discuss any topics to which I might wish to direct the notice of the Convention. The brief abstract which has been given, when taken in connection with the Parochial Reports, which I shall shortly lay before you, will present, I think, ample cause of gratitude for that measure of prosperity which has been extended to us by the great Head of the Church, and will afford us every encouragement which may be necessary to stimulate our future exertions.

Brethren, let us now proceed to the further business of the Convention, under a deep sense of the responsibilities which rest upon us. While we have the high honour to co operate with our Divine Master, in advancing the welfare of his Church, let us engage in the duty with all humility of heart, and with a supreme desire to promote the glory of God, and the happiness of our fellow men. And let us supplicate the assistance of the Holy Spirit to sanctify our affections, to guard us from error, and to guide us into all truth.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL.

New Haven, June 14, 1842.

Samuel Jarvis and *Stephen Mills*, Lay Delegates from St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, and *Edson Camp* and *P. S. Bradley*, from St. Paul's Church, Woodbury, presented their testimonials and were admitted to their seats.

On motion, *Resolved*, That visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Clergy of our own, not canonically entitled to seats, be admitted to honorary seats in this Convention.

Whereupon the following Clergymen took their seats as honorary members.

Rev. E. C. Bull,	}	from Diocese of Connecticut.
" E. J. Ives,		
" Samuel Nichols,	}	from Diocese of New York.
" George W. Nichols,		
" Samuel Hassard,		
" Harvey Stanley,		from Diocese of North Carolina.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Rev. Enoch Huntington be appointed to receive the sums due from the several Parishes, on the Assessments, for making up the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention, were adopted as the Rules for the present Convention.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.
6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the house, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary of the Standing Committee, read an Abstract of their proceedings for the past year which is entered on the Journal of the Convention, according to the provisions of the Vith Canon.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Convention of 1841, to the Convention of 1842.

There have been during the past year, eight meetings of the Standing Committee.

1. The first meeting was held, according to the ninth Article of the Constitution, on the day on which the Standing Committee was chosen, Wednesday, June 9th, 1841. Present, all the members. The Rev. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary.

2. The second meeting was held at Hartford, August 4th, 1841. Canonical testimonials having been presented, in favor of the Rev. John Williams, Deacon, he was recommended to the Bishop, for Priest's Orders. Canonical testimonials were also presented in favor of William Atwill, and Charles W. Everest, candidates for Holy Orders, recommending them to be admitted Deacons; whereupon, the Standing Committee signed their testimonials to the Bishop. Messrs. James Braden, William Henry Frisbie, and Henry D. Noble, were, on like evidence, recommended to the Bishop, to be admitted as candidates for Holy Orders. The Standing Committee then adjourned, in order to transact business with the Bishop, as the Board of Directors of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

3. The third meeting was held at Hartford, September 30th, 1841. Testimonials were presented in favor of Thomas M. Peters, William Henry Clark, and Henry Dekoven, which being approved, they were recommended to the Bishop to be admitted as candidates for Holy Orders. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of Frederic Miller, Jr., and Thomas Tompkins Guion, for Deacon's Orders; whereupon the Standing Committee recommended them to the Bishop for the same. The Rev. George L. Foote, Deacon, was also, on Canonical testimonials, recommended to the Bishop to be admitted Priest. The Standing Committee then adjourned to meet in New York, on Friday, the eighth of October, during the session of the General Convention.

4. The fourth meeting was held according to adjournment, but, there being no quorum, it was adjourned, first to October 14th, and then, for the same reason, to October 18th. Canonical testimonials were then presented in behalf of the Rev. Pascal P. Kidder, Deacon, and he was recommended to the Bishop for Priest's Orders.

5. The fifth meeting of the Standing Committee was held at Cheshire, November 1, 1841. Canonical testimonials having been presented in behalf of David C. Mayben, he was recommended to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders.

6. The sixth meeting was held at New Haven, Tuesday, November 23d, 1841. Testimonials in favor of Joshua D. Berry, for Deacon's orders, were presented, and he was accordingly recommended to the Bishop to be ordained Deacon.

7. The seventh meeting was held at Hartford, on Tuesday the 19th day of April, 1842. Canonical testimonials, were presented, recommending the Rev. William F. Morgan, Deacon, for Priests' orders; whereupon, Mr. Morgan was recommended to the Bishop; to be ordained Priest. Satisfactory testimonials as to character and conduct, in behalf of Junius M. Willey, as a candidate for Holy Orders, and a certificate of his literary qualifications, which was also satisfactory; but as the ninth Canon of 1841, omits the clause in section 3d, Canon 9th of 1832, and Canon 4th of 1838, allowing "a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution," the Standing Committee felt themselves obliged to wait for "a certificate from two presbyters appointed by the Bishop." They accordingly adjourned until the following day, when having received such certificate, they signed his testimonials.

8. The eighth meeting was held at New Haven, on Tuesday the 14th day of June, 1842, at 8 o'clock, A. M. In obedience to the eleventh Canon of the Diocese, providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in Convention, the Standing Committee proceeded in conference with the Bishop to prepare a list as aforesaid, and then adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, as Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, made a Report, which upon his own motion was referred to an Auditing Committee. *William H. Ellis* and *Aner Bradley, Esqrs.*, were appointed this Committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a special Committee be raised on that part of Dr. Jarvis' Report, relating to the appointment of Agents.

The Rev. Mr. *Paddock* and *Daniel Russell, Esq.*, were appointed.

The Treasurer of the Convention Fund, presented his Report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to make an Abstract of the early Journals of the Diocese, presented their Report, which, after reading, was referred to a special Committee, to take into consideration the disposal of the remaining copies. The Rev. Messrs. *Burgess* and *Watson*, and *H. Huntington, Esq.*, were accordingly appointed.

The Committee for the publication of the Journals of the Convention for 1841, to whom was committed the care of making and publishing an abstract of the early Journals of this Diocese,—respectfully Report:

That after considerable delay and inconvenience, they succeeded in procuring a complete file of the Journals from the year 1792, when their publication first commenced, to the year 1820, the time when our present Diocesan commenced his labours in this Diocese. Upon examining those Journals, your Committee found them containing so much of interest and value, as to render it inexpedient to abridge them, if they could by any means be republished entire. The Committee, therefore, after consulting with the Bishop and several of the Clergy, proceeded to make a contract with Messrs. Stanley & Chapin, for the re-publication of the entire Journals, upon the following terms:—

Messrs. Stanley & Chapin were to re-publish the Journals entire, from 1792, to 1820, in one volume octavo, of 150 pages,—for which they were to receive from the Committee, the sum necessary to have published the proposed Abstract,—and after the publication thereof, they were to sell as many as they could, at a price fixed by the Committee, and to make returns to the Committee before the Annual Convention of 1842.

In pursuance of this agreement, the Committee appropriated the sum of \$66 towards the publication, and the publishers have disposed of 81 copies, at \$31 81. The whole expense of the edition, consisting of 498 copies, was \$205 53, leaving a balance due Stanley & Chapin of \$107 72. Of the remaining 397 copies of the Journal, seven were taken by members of the Committee, for themselves and others who had assisted; ten were sent to such religious papers as had published the proposals for publishing the Journal, and 380 copies now remain on hand, subject to the order of the Convention.

Your Committee had designed to obtain several complete sets of the Journals to the present time, have them bound, and deposit them in the Libraries of various public institutions, to preserve them for future use and reference; but they have not yet been able to carry this design into execution, owing to the difficulty of procuring complete files since 1820. This the Committee think should be done, in order to preserve these documents for the future historian of the Church. They think also, that one copy, at least of the re-print, should be deposited in every Parish, and would suggest the propriety of sending one copy to the Secretaries of the Conventions of the several Dioceses.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

A. B. CHAPIN,
JOSEPH H. NICHOLS, } Committee.
E. E. BEARDSLEY,

New Haven, June 14, 1842.

Alfred Hall, Esq., of Portland, was appointed to assist Dr. Jarvis in receiving the monies for the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

A proposition to amend the 6th Article of the Constitution was made and referred to a Committee composed of the Rev. Dr. *Croswell*, and Rev. Messrs. *Cornwall* and *Chapin*.

Dr. *Jarvis* asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The following Preamble and Resolution were presented and passed unanimously :

Whereas the action of the Legislature of Connecticut, at their late session, in pronouncing the dissolution of the marriage of the Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., may seem to create a presumption that some charge was thus sanctioned which ought to affect his clerical standing ; and whereas, without arraiging the principles under which the civil law may undo that, and that only, which the civil law has done in relation to the marriage contract, it is yet due to the Church in general, to the standard of clerical character in this Diocese, and to one of its most eminent and most respected Clergymen, that such a presumption being unfounded, should be removed.

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this Convention are satisfied that the action of the Legislature of Connecticut, with reference to the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, does not sanction, and was not intended to sanction, any charge which could justly form the subject of ecclesiastical censure or inquiry ; and that the respect of the Convention for his integrity, piety, and purity, is not at all impaired by this issue.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year, and after the Rev. Dr. CROSWELL, had been chosen the first number thereof—a motion was carried to adjourn till to-morrow morning, at 8 o'clock.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, WEDNESDAY MORNING, 8 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayers were read by the Secretary, after which, the Roll of the Clergy and Laity was called, and the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the terms in the VIth and IXth Articles of the Constitution—"any seminary of learning constituted or instituted by ecclesiastical authority," are regarded by the Convention as including all schools and seminaries established with the consent of the Bishop.

The Convention then proceeded to the choice of the *four* remaining members of the Standing Committee, when Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Rev. GEORGE BURGESS, and Rev. Drs. HOLCOMB, and MEAD, were chosen.

The Rev. Mr. Burgess, from the Committee on the Reprint of the early Journals, made a Report, which was accepted, and the following resolution passed.

Voted, That it be recommended to each Parish of this Diocese, to supply itself with a copy of the Reprint of the Convention Journals, to be deposited with the Parish Clerk, or in some permanent place of deposit within the Parish.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, as well as the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention Fund, and found them both correct. Report accepted.

The reading of the Parochial Reports was then commenced, which being finished,

On motion, *Resolved*, That the first business to be transacted this afternoon, be the business of the Church Scholarship Society.

The following communication from the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, was read by the Secretary, and laid over for consideration at the next Annual Convention:

Rev. E. E. Beardsley, Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Connecticut.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—I direct your attention to the following proposed alteration in the Book of Common Prayer, and also to the succeeding proposed addition to the Constitution of the Potestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as made at the General Convention held in 1841; that you may notify the Convention of the Diocese of Connecticut of the same.

Yours, in Christ, WM. COOPER MEAD,
Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Extract from Journal of General Convention, 1841.

"Resolved, That it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed, at the next General Convention, to erase the words 'associated Rector,' and also the words 'state or,' wherever they occur in former editions of the Institution Office." (See Journal of Gen. Con. pp. 129, 119, 79, and 173.)

"Resolved, That it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed, at the next General Convention, to add the following as a 10th Article of the Constitution, viz.:

"ART. X. Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated, with the approbation of the Bishops of this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the presiding Bishop; he, thereupon taking order for the same, and they, being satisfied that the person designated for the office, has been duly chosen, and is properly qualified. The Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan, or Assistant Bishop, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States." (See Jour. of Gen. Convention, pp. 82, 132, 135, and 173.)

By the order of the House of Bishop.

(Signed,) ALEX. V. GRISWOLD, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*
Attest, (Signed,) J. M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., *Secretary.*

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

(Signed,) WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President.*
Attest, (Signed,) WM. COOPER MEAD, *Secretary.*

The Committee on the proposed alteration in the VIth Article of the Constitution, presented the following Report, which, on motion, was laid on the table, to be taken up for consideration immediately after the business of the Church Scholarship Society shall be finished.

The Committee to whom was referred the proposition to alter the

6th Article of the Constitution,—having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the following proposed amendment:—

Strike out the second sentence of the Article beginning with the words, "Every officiating minister," and ending with the word—"Convention,"—and substituting the following:—

"Every minister of this Church regularly settled in some Parish in this Diocese,—or ministers canonically connected with the Diocese, and personally residing therein, at least three months previous to the meeting of the Convention, and being engaged in any clerical or literary employment, under the sanction, and with the approval of the Bishop, ministers whose age or infirmities prevent them from exercising the Clerical functions, shall be members of the Convention; *Provided*, that absence from the Diocese on account of ill health, with the permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, shall be regarded as residence in the Diocese."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. CROSWELL, *Chairman*.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The reading of the roll was dispensed with, when agreeably to the resolution passed in the morning, the business of the Church Scholarship Society was taken up, which being finished, the Convention again organized and proceeded to the order of the day, viz., the proposed alteration in the VIth Article of the Constitution. After considerable discussion, the whole subject was indefinitely postponed.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to inquire what vacancies there may be in the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut Episcopal Academy, and to nominate suitable persons to fill the same if there be any.

The Rev. Dr. *Holcomb*, the Rev. Mr. *Jewett*, and *Wm. H. Ellis, Esq.*, were appointed, who reported, after retiring a few minutes, one vacancy, occasioned by the removal of the Rev. *Lemuel B. Hull* out of the State, and they nominated to supply his place the Rev. *Seth B. Paddock*, which nomination was confirmed by the Convention.

They also recommended that the seat of *Ebenezer Jackson, Esq.*, be declared vacant according to the latter clause of the III Article of the Constitution. This recommendation was complied with, and the Rev. *Jacob L. Clarke* appointed to supply the vacancy thus made.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Secretary procure the printing of 1000 copies of the Journal for distribution.

The Secretary, Rev. Messrs. Chapin and J. H. Nichols were appointed to superintend the printing of the same.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Committee for the publication of the Journal for the present year, be authorized to appropriate any

monies remaining in the Treasury, after paying the current expenses of the year, towards the payment of whatever balance may be due for the Reprint of the early Journals, and that whatever copies of the Reprints may remain unsold be distributed under the direction of the Bishop and Standing Committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain the condition of the Bishop's Fund, the amount annually received from the same and paid to the Bishop, the amount received by the Bishop on the assessments of the Parishes with the amount due on said assessments, and report to the next Annual Convention.

Samuel Tudor, Wm. T. Lee, Esqrs., and Rev. L. T. Bennett, were appointed this Committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Publishing Committee be directed to publish in the Journal of this Convention all matter in relation to the organization of the Parishes of the P. E. Church as religious societies, contained in the Constitution or Statutes of this State.

Resolved, That the names of the movers of resolutions be omitted from the minutes.

The minutes of the day were then read, and after singing the 107th Selection, and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourned, *sine die*.

THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.

Bishop of the Diocese.

Attest, E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX, NO. I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS,

ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DERBY,

REV. WM. B. ASHLEY, RECTOR.

There are 130 families nominally belonging to this parish. Of these, however, not more than 90 attend public worship with any degree of regularity. The other 40 were for the most part baptised in the Church, send their children to Sunday School, and are in the habit of calling on the Episcopal Clergyman to bury their dead, &c. Communicants, 130; added anew, 9; by removal, 4; marriages, 6; burials, 9; baptisms, 13; contributions to various charities since Easter, \$64 46; viz. for Library of Sabbath School, \$32; Church Scholarship Society, \$16 82; Christian Knowledge Society, \$15 83. Sunday Schools, 2; teachers, 30; scholars, 150.

CHRIST CHURCH, READING.

REV. WM. ATWILL, MINISTER.

From the time of my ordination on the 8th of September, 1841, until the 8th of May last, I have been chiefly occupied in aiding the Rev. Dr. Mead of Norwalk, especially in managing his extensive Sunday School.

During this period I occasionally officiated in several neighboring Parishes, particularly at New Canaan, the Rector of which Parish was in feeble health: also at Westport, in supplying the pulpit during a temporary vacancy.

While thus engaged, I attended 15 funerals, baptised 2 infants, preached 56 times, and assisted in conducting divine service 98 times.

Since the 8th of May, I have taken charge of Christ Church, Reading. This Parish, during several years last past, has been under the care of the Rev. Charles I. Todd. Owing to the loss of the ancient Parochial Records, and to the entire lack of all recent ones, I am unable to state any facts or operations in the Parish during the past Ecclesiastical year.

During my short connection with the Parish, I have been encouraged by many indications of awakening interest in the welfare of the Church. The Sunday School is reviving, and numbers about 12 teachers, and 40 pupils.

I have engaged, during the present year, to devote one half of my time to Reading, and the other half in assisting the Rev. Mr. Tomlinson at Trumbull.

[REV. A. BALDWIN: no Report.]

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH GUILFORD.

REV. D. BALDWIN, MINISTER.

Families, 39; communicants, 44; baptisms—children, 2, adults, 2, total, 4; confirmed, 4; marriages, 2; funerals, 2. This congregation has never had only the partial services of a Minister, but they do not forget to assemble themselves together on the Lord's day, some one of their number leading in the services, and reading a sermon. Since the last Convention, I have officiated in this Church 35 Sundays, Christmas, and on several other occasions. As a testimony of remembrance, on the Festival of the Nativity, I had presented to me from the Ladies of the Parish, a suitable Clergyman's gown. Provision is now making to repair the Church, which, by divine permission, will, before winter, be put in a state of preservation and good order.

I have, during the year, officiated 11 Sundays in Union Church, Killingworth, administered the Lord's Supper 3 times, and baptised 1 child. This congregation has been somewhat discouraged by the death and removals of efficient members, but I have generally met a good congregation in numbers and appearance, and as they appear to be disposed to hold on, I think they ought to be encouraged. There are in this Church as many as 20 communicants, and about the same number of families on whom we may depend.

I have officiated, since the 1st of September, six times in Zion Church, North Branford, and administered the communion twice. At the late visitation of the Bishop there were three confirmed, two of whom were members of the Parish.

REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY.**PRINCIPAL OF CHESHIRE ACADEMY.**

During the past year, I have officiated about four months in Trinity Parish, New Haven. With the exception of occasional services rendered to my neighboring brethren, I have performed no other duties strictly clerical; my time and attention being necessarily and wholly given to the care of the Institution over which I preside.

CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.**REV. L. T. BENNETT, RECTOR.**

Families, 54; baptisms—infants, 7, adults, 3; confirmed, 10; communicants—added, anew, 10, by removals, 3, lost, by death, 2, present number, 79; marriages, 1; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, 50; Bible Class, 17; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$39 00.

Though the past year has exhibited no extraordinary indications of parochial prosperity, still, there has been, apparently, gradual improvement.

In addition to "the offerings of the Parish" above reported, the Rector received \$60 00 anonymously, to be disposed of at his discretion. He appropriated it equally to the six following objects—missions in Africa, and in Texas; missions under Bishop Kemper's, and Bishop Polk's jurisdiction; to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in this Diocese; and to the Church Scholarship Society.

[REV. GEORGE BENTON.]**Missionary to Greece.****ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.****REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.**

Families—86, added 4, lost, by removal and death, 11; communicants, 65,—added, 5, removed, 4, died, 1; baptisms—infants, 10, adults, 3; marriages, 4; deaths, 5. There has been no confirmation the year past, the Parish not having had the advantage of an Episcopal visitation. Though the present number of families compared with former reports would show a diminution, yet the usual attendance upon public worship is certainly larger now than when I took charge of the Parish. There appears to be in the congregation a growing attachment to the Church and an increased desire to secure permanently its services.

A better house of worship is very much needed, and it is hoped that before long a new one will be erected. A subscription paper for that purpose has recently been circulated in the Parish and upwards of three thousand dollars has already been subscribed. It is thought that five or six hundred dollars more, together with the old edifice, will be sufficient to erect such an one as is needed.

CHRIST CHURCH, WESTPORT.**REV. E. C. BULL, RECTOR ELECT.**

Families, about 60; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 7; communicants—added, anew, 7, by removal, 3, present number, 66; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, 60.

The Parish has had the services of the Rev. Mr. Leacock, for about seven months during the past year. He was chosen to be the Rector, but owing to the peculiar circumstances of his family, was unable to continue longer than the above named period. Since he left, the Parish has had services almost uninterruptedly.

About four weeks since, the Rev. Mr. Bull was called to become the Rector, and has now entered upon his duties.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKFIELD.

REV. E. C. BULL, LATE MINISTER.

Families, about 70; baptisms—infants, 1; marriages, 4; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, about 30; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$18 00.

CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS, RECTOR.

Families, 230; baptisms—adults, 8, infants, 37, total, 45; communicants—added, 46, died, 10, removed, 36, withdrawn to St. John's Church, 106, present number, 326; marriages, 8; burials, 42; confirmed, 26; Sunday School—teachers, 29, scholars, 160; Missionary and charitable contributions, exclusive of all for purposes connected with the Parish, or with St. John's Church, \$1303 00.

A Confirmation has been held since the last Communion.

The establishment of another congregation in the city of Hartford, which was consummated at Easter of the present year, has weakened, in the happiest and most welcome manner, the numerical strength of the Parish of Christ Church. It has also withdrawn some of its most valued members. But they are employed in the same service; and all, with one heart and one voice, still glorify God together.

A large and flourishing Parish is left behind, and sustains no inconvenience from the diminution of its numbers. In various respects, perhaps, the circumstances attending such a change, are not, for the time, favorable to its spiritual interests, or the increase of its communion. The Rector would but express the hope, that in this spiritual body, that may be witnessed which sometimes happens in the physical, when the loss of some members is followed by an intenser life and a more various usefulness in those which remain.

ST. JAMES CHURCH, NEWTOWN. (ZOAR.)

REV. D. BURHANS, D. D., RECTOR.

I took charge of this Parish in April last. Families, 36; communicants, 3, added, 4, whole number, 32; baptisms—adults, 2, infants, 6, whole number, 8; burials, 1. A Sunday School is commenced with flattering prospects. As also preparatory to forming a Bible Class, the Church is re-opened at 5 o'clock, Sunday, P. M., and a Lecture delivered on the Church Catechism, to the youth, which is well attended, with encouragement of their subsequent improvement in gospel truth, and the distinctive doctrines of the Church, which is auspicious of the future prosperity of the Parish, and heart cheering to their spiritual Pastor.

This Parish was incorporated in 1830, agreeable to the Canons of the Church. A building was erected and inclosed in 1831. The Rev.

Dr. Burhans took charge of the Parish, and officiated in it about eighteen months. Subsequent to that, the Rev. Mr. Rossiter was employed one fourth of the time for about two years: from that time up to the year 1841, the society met with many discouragements, by way of removals and deaths, which so disheartened them that they resolved to disorganize themselves and re-unite with Trinity Church, and accordingly, petitioned that Parish at their Easter meeting in 1840, to receive them and their building. Receiving no official reply, about this time, the Rev. Mr. Guion, then a candidate for *Holy Orders*, and having charge of Newtown Academy, volunteered his services to open a Sunday School and perform lay reading, the house was soon well filled; an awakened zeal, with a fervent piety was soon manifested, which so encouraged this little flock, that a Parish meeting was called, and resulted in a determined resolution to finish their Church, and with assistance from neighboring Parishes, and a few individuals, (for which they are sincerely thankful,) they have succeeded in finishing the Church in a neat and handsome manner, and are now ready for Consecration.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHARON.

REV. SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER, RECTOR.

Families, 40; communicants—added, anew, 5, by removal, 2, lost by death, 1, total, 61; baptisms—infants, 7, adults 1, total, 8; confirmed, 5; marriages, 1; burials, 3; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$41 50.

About 25 families have been lost to this Church, by removals and otherwise, within 8 or 10 years; but we hope, that what has remained, and ready to die, has been strengthened. There is encouragement to hope for better things, though it is with no little difficulty that the support of a Pastor can be raised. But there is reason to believe, that Jacob, though small, will arise, and that the favor of God has hitherto helped us, and blessed the zeal and devotion of his people; and that the temporal and spiritual prosperity of the Parish is steadily advancing.

While clerical services were enjoyed but *half* the time, which was the case before the last year, the subscription for the salary, fell short in one year nearly one quarter of the stipulated amount, (for which the Society is now in debt,) but for the last year they have fallen short but a few dollars of the sum of \$400. It is earnestly hoped that this feeble Parish, which is now heavily taxed to sustain itself, may be encouraged to persevere.

There have been *monthly* collections heretofore, and now it is proposed to receive regular *weekly offerings*.

TRINITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

REV. R. CAMP, RECTOR.

Families, 22; baptisms—infants, 2, adults, 1; confirmed, 4; communicants—added, anew, 6, lost by death, 2, total, 48; marriages, 3; burials, 8; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$87 00.

This parish is now receiving the entire services of its Rector, and may be considered as prosperous.

CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families, 36; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 2, total, 3; communicants, 29; confirmed, 4; burials, 3; marriages, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 30.

There are a few persons in this parish who will probably join the Communion soon. The congregation through the year has been better than was anticipated, and there seems a fair prospect of its taking a permanent stand among the Parishes of the Diocese. But the Parish is weak and will need aid for some time to come. It will require some time to build them up in the most holy faith, well settled and grounded in the Church of the Apostles; but the Rector hopes that this will eventually be accomplished. Owing to the expense of repairing the Church, the usual contributions have been omitted.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH, NORTH HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families, 41, and 7 nominally attached to the Parish; baptisms—infants, 5, adults, 3, total, 8; confirmed, 3; communicants, 40, died, 4, present number, 36; marriages, 1; burials, 5; Sunday School, same as last year; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$30 00.

The number of candidates for Confirmation were *six*, two of whom were unable to attend, and one was absent. There are also a considerable number of persons who will join the communion soon, probably more than enough to make up our loss by death during the last year, which has been more than for several years preceeding. There are several encouraging circumstances in this parish, and it is hoped that a good spirit is at work, that will work out much good for us.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

REV. J. LYMAN CLARK, RECTOR.

Families, 170; baptisms—infants, 22; adults, 5; confirmed, 34 communicants, 265, added, by removals, 7, anew, 39, lost, by death, 12, by removals 16; marriages, 6; burials, 24; Sunday School—teachers, 52; scholars, 290; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$778 40.

Missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish, \$778 40, distributed as follows: to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$75 00; to the Church Scholarship Society, \$179 00; to the Foreign Department of our Missionary Society, \$130 90; \$70 of this was contributed by the teachers and scholars of the Sunday School, to educate five children named by them, and to be under the care of the Rev. Messrs. Savage and Payne, at the African Mission; to the Domestic Department of our Missionary Society, \$262 00; to assist neighboring Parishes in sustaining the services of the sanctuary, \$117 50. I have now in the treasury \$15 00. About \$70 00 of the sum above reported was raised by the ladies' sewing circles, of which there are now four in different parts of the Parish. Much good has been done by the persevering efforts of these Societies, which can not properly be noticed in this report. A regular weekly lecture has been held in the Church during the year, which has been considered as preferable to giving instruction to the young in the form of a Bible Class. Di-

vine service has also been held on all the Fasts and Festivals usually observed by the Church, and occasional services in remote parts of the Parish.

The Rector takes great pleasure in stating that christian kindness, harmony, and love still characterize the people of his charge; and, during the past year, he has had evidence that prayer was gaining a deeper hold of the hearts of the professed followers of Christ.

The season of Lent was one of more than ordinary interest with us, and will be remembered, it is hoped by many, as the beginning of a new and holy life.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families about the same as last year; baptisms—adults, 1, children, 3; communicants, lost by removal, 6, by death, 3, added anew, 2, present number, 55; marriages, 8; burials, 8, 5 not belonging to the Church; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, 50; Bible Class, 25; Children's Magazine taken in the Parish, 23; Church Chronicle, 23; Charitable contributions, \$27 18. \$22 57 has been appropriated to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$15 00 of which is from the Ladies' Sewing Society.

This Parish, through the disastrous and fluctuating condition of business, and their limited resources, with other circumstances peculiar to the place, has had to pass through many difficulties of quite a trying nature; yet, by their united and untiring efforts, they seem at present, to be gradually advancing in prosperity. They are not yet able to raise more than two thirds of a salary for a Clergyman; they will therefore very much need the assistance of the Christian Knowledge Society for some few years to come.

Though the addition to the number of communicants has been small, yet our congregation is gradually increasing, and we have a prospect of some accession to our number soon.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.

REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.

Families, 274; baptisms—infants, 51, adults, 6; confirmed, 26; communicants—anew, 42, removed, 19, died, 9, whole number, 290; marriages, 19; funerals, 48; Sunday School—scholars, 200, teachers, 30; Church offerings, \$209 42.

TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families, 91; baptisms—adults, 3, infants, 5; communicants, added, by removal, 2, anew, 7, lost, by removal, 2, by death, 3, present number, 134; marriages, 2; burials, 7; Sunday School—teachers, 19, scholars, 96; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$104 25, viz. to Board of Missions for Kemper college, \$33 00, for Church at Mishawaka, Illinois, \$11 00, for Foreign Missions, \$20 00, to Christian Knowledge Society, \$30 00, to Church Scholarship Society, \$10 25. It should be also mentioned, that the Ladies' Sewing Society re-organized in January last, for the purpose of increasing our comforts and conveniences in public worship, and contributing to the promotion of some charitable objects, has already realized the sum of \$127.

These statistics indicate, on the whole, a continual advance of the Parish, in outward prosperity, and its spiritual condition, at the present time, may be safely pronounced quite promising.

At a meeting of the Parish, on Easter Monday, a change of much importance was made, in the arrangements of public worship, by removing all the stated services to the Chapel in the borough of Southport, and transferring the site and title of 'Trinity Church, Fairfield,' to that edifice, which is about a mile and a half distant from the old Church at Mill Plain, where divine service had been kept up for seven years since the Chapel was built, on every third Sunday. The change was made by a very large majority of the members of the Parish, and met with a commendable acquiescence on the part of the minority, whom it subjects to some inconvenience.

Our Sunday School has increased very considerably this summer, and the congregation is larger than at any former period, although it consists more exclusively of such as are properly reckoned my parishioners, and are strickly under my pastoral care. It is proper to add, in view of the small number of infants baptized during the last year, that the people of my Parish generally are very attentive to the duty of devoting their children to the service of Christ in His holy ordinance, but various circumstances have delayed, for a few weeks, the baptism of several infants, who will be brought to Church on the earliest opportunity.

In connection with the services on the Fridays in Lent, and in Passion week, and Easter week, and Whitsuntide I generally read, much to the satisfaction and edification of many of the hearers, some of the more appropriate and instructive of the Homilies; deeming them more suitable to the times, than any exhortations which I could indite.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. A. C. COX, MINISTER.

I have had charge of the Parish since the consecration of the Church in April. The number of families is about 100. The communicants, including several students of Washington College, number 106. There have been 2 baptisms of children; 2 funerals; 1 marriage; no collections have as yet been made for benevolent objects, with the exception of several donations from individuals, to an interesting branch of our Domestic Missions. The immediate wants of the Parish have been liberally met, and all appurtenances for decent and beautiful worship have been amply provided. For several munificent benefactions, and among them a Font, and a splendid service for the altar, we have been indebted to members of CHRIST CHURCH.

I catechize a portion of the children of the Parish, before divine service, on Sundays, openly in Church; and a Sunday School has been organized, and is in successful operation.

A systematic method of almsgiving, in behalf of the various objects of the Church's charities, will be put into operation immediately on my return from Convention.

TRINITY CHURCH, & ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, NEW HAVEN.

REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR, REV. J. H. NICHOLS, AND REV. WM. F. MORGAN, ASSISTANT MINISTERS.

Number of families, about 650; baptisms—adults, 33, children, 94, total, 127; confirmed, 152; communicants, lost by death, 19, added,

about 100, whole number, about 750; marriages, 33; burials, 77; Sunday School—teachers, 67, catechumens, 522; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$1066 75.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

REV. J. T. CUSHING, RECTOR.

This Parish came under my charge the 5th of May. I find here an attentive and devout congregation. The number of families is 72; that of communicants, 94. There are no additional baptisms, or communicants to report in the short time that I have been with them; but with the divine blessing upon our labors, we look for an increase in the ensuing year.

The late Rector having left no report for the period of his administration in the part of the year previous, I am unable to present any.

TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND.

REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Families, 115; communicants—added, by removal, 1, anew, 5, lost, by removal, 5, death, 3, present number, 105; baptisms, adult, 1, infants, 12; marriages, 11; burials, 22; Sunday School—scholars, 105, teachers, 16; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$433 08. Church Chronicles taken in the Parish, 20; Children's Magazine, 65; Spirit of Missions, 18.

This portion of Christ's fold, has enjoyed the regular ministration of the word, and the sacraments, which it is believed, have tended to the spiritual benefit of some, and have been not without profit, to all who have been regular attendants upon these means of grace. Owing to a severe storm on the day on which the Bishop visited the Parish, only about half of those were present, who had purposed to receive the apostolic rite of confirmation.

The increase in the number of worshippers from year to year, keeps pace with the increase of the population in the community in which the Parish is situated.

The unremitted exertions for the spiritual good of the young, of the several teachers in the Sunday School, is worthy of all praise.

Considering the general depression of business, the effects of which are sensibly felt here, the Missionary and charitable contributions of the Parish have been unusually liberal. Of the amount above reported, it may be proper to state, that \$100 for domestic purposes, was contributed by one individual of the Parish.

On the whole, we have great reason for gratitude to the great Head of the Church for the degree of prosperity which He has vouchsafed to us.

GRACE CHURCH, HAMDEN.

REV. H. FITCH, RECTOR.

Families 50; baptisms—children, 3, adults 2; confirmed, 11; communicants—added anew, 7, lost, by death, 1, by removal, 1, present number, 62; Marriages, 2; burials, 7; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 42; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$49 26.

No material change has taken place in this Parish since the last report to the Convention. There is a gradually increasing interest in the services of the Church, and of late a larger attendance upon

public worship. The Offerings of the Church for Missionary and charitable purposes are taken monthly, and applied under the direction of the Vestry. The Sunday School is larger now than at any period since the present Rector's connection with the Parish.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KENT.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families, 23; baptisms, infant, 1; communicants, lost by death, 1, present number, 14; Bible Class and Sunday School, 20; burials, 2; contributions, about \$6 00.

I have continued my services as minister of this Church one fourth of the time for the past year at a great sacrifice, and with too little benefit to the Parish, owing to its distance from my residence. Notwithstanding present appearances, it is hoped that the time is not far distant when the residence of a clergyman and the services of the Church shall be secured in this place. There remains of the debt of \$500 00 which was reported last year, about \$130 00, which being secured, will place the Church free from pecuniary embarrassment, and present, as it is believed, a new appearance for the increase of the congregation.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROXBURY.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families—lost by removal, 1, added by removal, 1, whole number, 59; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants—added, anew, 2, by removal, 2, lost, by removal, 1, present number, 39; burial, 1; Sunay School—teachers, 8, scholars, 44; Bible Class, 13; contributions, about \$40 00.

An effort is now being made to raise funds to paint and otherwise improve the interior of the Church, which it is hoped will prove successful. The attendance on public worship is greater and more uniform than last year.

I have officiated occasionally to the congregation collected in the town of Southbury, South Britain Society, which continues from 75 to 120; baptisms—infants, 2; burial, 1. It is hoped that the time is not distant when a society may be organized in that town, for the support of the services of the Church.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families, 25; communicants—added, anew, 2, by removal, 1, lost, by death, 1, present number, 30; burial, 1; Bible Class and Sunday School, 25; contributions, about \$10 00.

I have officiated for this Parish one fourth of the Sundays for the past year, and it appears to be in an improving condition; and with the blessing of God, it is hoped that it may yet flourish as a branch of the Church Catholic.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HEBRON.

REV. ALPHEUS GERR, RECTOR.

Number of Families, 50; baptisms, infants, 6; communicants—added, 3; present number, about 40; marriages, 6; burials, 9; Sunday School—teachers, 6; scholars, 31.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.

REV. JOHN MARSHALL GUION, RECTOR.

Families, 33; baptisms, infants, 2; communicants, added, 7, present number, 25, marriages, 5, burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 5, scholars, 40; Missionary and charitable contributions, £22 50.

This Parish may now be regarded as prosperous. But for the utter prostration of business, cutting off the pecuniary resources of its friends, it might be added that it is prosperous in every respect. Yet even under difficulties pressing with peculiar severity upon a manufacturing community, we have much reason to “thank God and take courage.” The number of families and communicants is gradually increasing, and there cannot be a doubt that the augmentation would be still greater, was it not that the straightened circumstances of both have heretofore prevented the pastor from giving to his flock the whole of his time, which experience has shown to be indispensable to the common interest. Our situation too, strikingly illustrates a truth, which it is presumed is a matter of universal observation, that the conservative principles of the Church do not warrant the expectation of rapid accessions to her numbers. The harmonious and exemplary conduct of her members has outlived a large share of opposition, and silenced the reproach of gainsayers, so that “having no evil thing to say,” former adversaries are constrained to respect, even to favor the cause, they once conscientiously withstood, and many an enquiring eye, and many an approving judgment are turning towards the distinctive principles of the “only united Church.” Still our inveterate predilection for systems consecrated by the supposed authority of revered Fathers, not of primitive, but of puritan times, on the one hand, and a hankering after novelties and excitement on the other, are checks to the progress of truth, which time and circumstance, and above all, the guidance from above promised to the sincere searcher for truth, we may hope will remove. God has dealt very graciously with us as a Parish during the past year, in sparing us the pain of a single bereavement by death, the funerals reported being all of persons of other denominations or places.

It may not be exceeding the limits of propriety, to take this occasion to solicit with all deference, the attention of the ecclesiastical authority to the destitute remnant of Southington. I have officiated there on two recent occasions to large and attentive congregations, and if the urgent and repeated call “to come over and help,” be any indication of good, I am persuaded that measures for the revival of that expiring Parish, will not be without a blessing from Him “who hath not despised the day of small things.”

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, OFFICIATING MINISTER.

Families, 58; communicants, 26; quarterly collection, made May 1st, \$4 27, of which amount \$1 00 was appropriated to the Sunday School, and \$3 27 to the Christian Knowledge Society; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, 30.

I am unable to give full statistics of this Parish in consequence of my short connection with it, and of its entire destitution until now, of records. I must therefore refer the Bishop to my predecessor for the official acts performed by him in this Parish during the past year.

St. Mark's is in a vigorous and flourishing condition, possessing at this time the energy of renovated truth. They have a beautiful and convenient Church, which is well filled with a devout and attentive congregation. My connection with this Parish results from an arrangement made between it and St. Andrew's, by which each receives the half of my services for the current ecclesiastical year.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEW PRESTON.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, RECTOR.

Families, 65; baptisms—adult, 1, children, 5, total, 6; communicants—added, 7, lost, by death, 1, removal, 1, present number, 51; funerals, 3; marriages, 8; Sunday School—teachers, 11, scholars, 52; contributions—Christian Knowledge Society, \$6 75, Trinity Church, Galveston, Texas, \$10 52, Sunday School, \$5 00.

This Parish is in a flourishing condition in a temporal point of view. Beside the amount raised by the sale of the slips for the support of public worship, which was \$430 00, they have raised by subscription \$80 00 for a singing school, and have commenced painting and repairing the Church at an estimated expense of \$130 00, having already a subscription for this purpose of about \$100 00. The Ladies have also engaged in this good work of beautifying the place of God's sanctuary, and have determined, on completion of the repairs, to carpet the Church throughout. The regular Quarterly collections required by the Canons, have been made as usual. The Sunday School under the superintendence of one of the Wardens is in a flourishing condition, and has now a Library of about 125 volumes.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, & ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL, DANBURY.

REV. THOMAS T. GUION, RECTOR.

The report of my predecessor gives the required information up to Easter of the current year, since which time, I have baptised 1 infant, and solemnized 1 marriage. The Parish is in a sound, healthy, and united state. Subsequent to my Ordination, and prior to my present charge, I officiated in St. James' Church, Zoar, (Newtown.)

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON.

REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR,

Families, 71; baptisms—infants, 4, adults, 5; confirmed, 17; communicants—added, by removals, 2, anew, 14, lost, by death, 5, removals, 7, present number, 105; marriages, 3; burials, 15; Sunday School—teachers, 16, scholars, 69; Missionary and charitable contributions as follows, General Missionary Society, \$70 48, Christian Knowledge Society, \$25 00, Church Scholarship Society, \$80 00, Pomfret, \$26 00, Mishawaka, Ia. \$20 00, Flint, Mich. \$20 00, Jonesville, Mich. \$20 00, total, \$261 48.

No changes of special interest have transpired in this Parish during the past year. It continues to enjoy a good measure of temporal and spiritual prosperity.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WOODBURY.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, RECTOR.

Families, 55; baptisms—infants, 18, adults, 3, whole number, 21; confirmed, 0; communicants—added by removal, 1, anew, 5, lost by removal, 3, by death, 1, present number, 55; marriages, 2; burials, 7; Sunday School—teachers, 8, children, 60; Bible Class, 19; amount of Missionary and charitable collections, \$31 89, of which \$14 79 were taken up at a Missionary collection, and the remaining \$30 10 were realized by the proceeds of our monthly offering.—In the expenditure of this \$5 00 has been appropriated to Foreign Missions, \$5 00 to Domestic Missions, for the benefit of a Church in Southport, Wisconsin, \$5 00 to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, to be devoted, so far as the regulations of the Society will admit, to the payment of a debt which is hanging over the destitute Parish of Kent, in Litchfield County, and the remainder has been used to defray contingent Parish expenses. Patronage has been extended to the religious paper of our Diocese by the payment in advance for thirty-two copies.

The undivided services of a clergymen have been continued to the Parish during the past year, and the increased exertions of our own members have rendered a less amount of assistance from *abroad* requisite than in former years. We are under obligation, however, for generous aid received, or *expected*, \$26 93 from the Church in Waterbury, \$12 50 from the Church in Plymouth, \$10 57 from the Church in Watertown, together with encouragement of \$30 00 from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

The beneficial effects of constant religious services have been apparent in the more steady and punctual attendance of our members at Church, and of course an increasing disposition to act up to the privileges and duties of Churchmen, just in proportion as the opportunities for obtaining an acquaintance with our distinctive principles have been improved. A Wednesday evening weekly lecture was commenced some two or three months since, and has been sustained *so far* by a very good attendance. Weekly exercises of the Sunday School and Bible Class, have been held throughout the year, and an amount of religious instruction dispensed through them which we hope will not fail of producing some fruit. Baptisms and admissions to the communion have been frequent, perhaps as much so as the size of the Parish would lead us to expect; and the names of a number of young persons have been enrolled as candidates for confirmation at the next approaching visitation of our Bishop.

The excellent stand which has been taken by a number of young men engaged in mechanical pursuits in the place, who have rallied round the Church in her time of need, and volunteered not only their pecuniary aid, but their *active services*, to sustain the music, to supply teachers for the Sunday School, and to occupy the place of pupils at the Bible Class, deserves to be mentioned, as furnishing as much of encouraging prospect of good to the Church, as it promises to be conducive of benefit to themselves *individually*.

The members of the Ladies' Sewing Society have held meetings during the past year with as much frequency, and it is to be presumed with as much of beneficial result as formerly.

Upon the whole the measure of prosperity which we have been permitted to enjoy during the past year, in the united, peaceful, and gradually improving state of our Parish, and the evidences afforded

of its growth in *liberality* as well as in *grace*, as manifested by the enlarged amount of subscriptions realized by the sale of the seats on Easter Monday last, the support which has been given to our Monthly Offering and Missionary collections, and the pledges which have been obtained from individuals by the circulation of a subscription paper for the purchase of a new bell, call for gratitude to the Author of our mercies; and we think we may safely say, that if the "*readiness to perform*," when the making of payments is concerned, were equal in every instance to the professed, and even stipulated "*willingness to do*," the Parish would very soon be able to assume the whole burden of its annual expenditures, and thus relieve its friends abroad, and the Christian Knowledge Society, from the pecuniary aid which they have so far, and we think very beneficially and very opportunely afforded.

In the adjoining town of Southbury, divine worship, according to the form of our Liturgy, has been celebrated on seventeen different occasions, which has not only afforded an opportunity for those who have *already* a predilection for the Episcopal Church to attend, but has also put it in the power of many, who, as it would seem, have never before enjoyed the benefit of such a privilege, to correct the erroneous impressions which they had been led to form in relation to the Church, by that most satisfactory of all modes for producing conviction, which the Apostle St. Philip proposed to Nathaniel, when in answer to the question, whether "any good thing could come out of Nazareth?" he replied by saying "*Come and see*."

[REV. F. HOLCOMB: no Report.]

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.

Families, 90; baptisms—infants, 19, adults, 10; confirmed, 27; communicants—added by removals, 5, anew, 47, lost by death, 1, removals, 8, total, 113; marriages, 6; burials, 13; Sunday School—teachers, 17, scholars, 90; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$39 07, viz. to Foreign Missions, \$5, Domestic, \$5, Christian Knowledge Society, \$5, Kemper College, \$5 34, other objects, \$18 73.

An unusual degree of interest upon the subject of religion has prevailed in this Parish during the past year. Many, during this period, it is believed, have commenced a *new life*; and others are still, with much solicitude, inquiring the way of salvation. May "He who has begun a good work in them, perform it until the day of Jesus Christ;" and may the same converting and sanctifying influences which have been so graciously vouchsafed, be shed forth still more and more abundantly, till all, "from the least to the greatest," shall be brought to the knowledge of the Lord.

It is with much pleasure that I am able to state to this Convention that I have in my hands from the Ladies' Sewing Society of the Episcopal Parish, Middlebury, the sum of \$100 for the benefit of "the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in this Diocese." Also, from the same source, \$5 for the Rt. Rev. Bishop Chase of Illinois. It is the desire of the donors that the above mentioned sum of \$100 be invested as a permanent fund, the interest only to be applied for the furtherance of the benevolent objects of the said Christian Knowledge Society. May the merciful and gracious Lord, whose is the silver and the gold, put it into the hearts of many of the sons and daughters of the Church to "go and do likewise;" and to Him be given all the praise.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

REV. E. HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

The number of families directly connected with the Parish as pew-holders, and attending divine worship with us, is about 100. Probably a larger number are indirectly and irregularly connected with the ministrations of the Parish by occasional calls for ministerial services. It will be seen by reference to the Journals for several years past, that in many departments of ministerial duty, but one Parish in the Diocese, that in which there are two Churches, has reported more cases for the performance of the services of the Church than this. During the past year I have attended to the grave with the last rites of religion 21 persons. I have united in holy matrimony 22 couple. I have admitted to the communion 8. I have baptized 7—5 infants and 2 adults. Our Sunday School has about 100 scholars, and about 20 teachers.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, RIDGEFIELD.

REV. WARNER HOYT, RECTOR.

Since the last annual report, there have been in this Parish baptisms—infants, 2, adult, 1, total, 3; confirmations, 0; the communicants last reported were 116—these have been diminished by death, 2, by removals, 4, and increased by additions of new communicants, 3, by removals, 5, present number, 118; there have been also funerals, 5, and marriages, 5. There are also 74 families in the Parish; Sunday School—teachers, about 15, scholars, about 70; contributions to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$5, and to the Church Scholarship Society, \$5.

On the 12th of August last, the corner stone of a new Church was laid with appropriate religious services by the Rector, the Bishop of the Diocese being unable to attend on that occasion. The edifice then begun is now nearly completed, and promises to be, considering the limited means of the Parish, a praiseworthy proof of their devotedness to the cause of Christ. As the expenses growing out of this work are taxing our resources to the utmost, it has been deemed advisable for the present to suspend the ordinary collections for objects of Christian benevolence not connected with the Parish. Though there have been but few additions to the communion the past year, yet we have not been without tokens of Divine favor, and never perhaps has this Parish been more decidedly united, or stronger than now.

The precarious state of my health during much of the past fall and winter, prevented me for a number of Sabbaths from filling my pulpit, while the Church was kept open by lay-reading, when there was ordinarily a good attendance. From the same cause I was for many months hindered in the due discharge of pastoral duties, but the restoration of former health leads me to hope that I may be enabled to remedy the effect of past insufficiency in this particular.

REV. A. JACKSON, PROFESSOR IN WASHINGTON COLLEGE

The Rev. A. Jackson reports to his Right Reverend Father in God, the Bishop of this Diocese, that he has been engaged during the year past in the duties of Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philo-

sophy, in Washington College. He has to express his regret that these duties do not allow him to be present at the Convention.

CHRIST CHURCH MIDDLETOWN.

REV. S. F. JARVIS, LATE RECTOR.

The late Rector of Christ Church having made a statement to his parishioners of the condition of the Parish, in his fifth Easter address, delivered on Easter Sunday, March 27th, 1842, presents an abstract of the same to the Bishop, for the insertion on the Journals of the present Convention. It is for the year commencing at Easter, 1841, and ending at Easter, 1842.

Baptism—children, 16, adults, 3, total 19; burials, 10, of which 6 were extra-parochial. Of the 4 belonging to the Parish, 2 were adults and 2 infants. Marriages 6, of which 4 were extra-parochial. Communicants reported last year were 92, and should have been 93, one having been accidentally omitted. Of these, during the past year, one died and two removed, leaving 90. To these having been added by removal from other Parishes, 2, by return of former communicants of this Parish, 5. Added anew 20, making an actual increase of 27, during the past year. One of these afterwards removed to New York, so that the whole number at present is 116. The number of families now in the Parish are about 90. Since the last report, 5 families have left the Parish, and 7 been added. In this report, single persons are not included. The largest number of families and communicants reported in this Church since 1775, was in 1823. The families were then 96 and the communicants 120. the families were 80, and the communicants 74. The number admitted to communion, anew from 1836 to 1842, has been 80.

The Parish being in this prosperous condition, and in perfect harmony, the Rector, oppressed by domestic calamities, and fearful that some untoward event might renew the agitation existing in 1838 and 1839, determined to resign his pastoral charge. His congregation indeed were attached to him and he to them; but it seemed to him a duty to God and his Church, that he should not expose the interests of the Parish to suffer detriment from any attack which might be made on his person. Subsequent events have shown that his caution was not groundless. From Easter, 1841, the Rev. John Williams had been his assistant, and during the whole year not the slightest circumstance occurred to create suspicion or jealousy on either side. On the contrary, the most perfect love and harmony existed; and it was the great desire of his soul that this excellent friend and brother should become his successor in the Rectorship. But Mr. Williams resisted all his entreaties, and uniformly and publicly declared, that the labors of both in the Parish must terminate at the same moment. The Parish finding that this decision of the Rector and his Assistant was inflexible, proceeded with great unanimity to elect the present incumbent.

The Sunday School continues with but little variation as to numbers since the last report. The number of Catechumens is about 54. The Rector or his Assistant have catechized them regularly during the past year, on the first Sunday in every month. On all other Sundays also, they have been examined on the Collects, Epistles and Gospels, by unpremeditated questions, thereby putting to the test their knowledge and understanding of the Scriptures.

During the past year, the Church has been opened for divine service on all the festivals and fasts, and during Lent on Wednesday's and Friday's of each week. The Lectures in Lent contained an outline of our Lord's ministry, and that of his forerunner, John the Baptist, from the first year of the government of Pont us Pilate, until the fourth year of that government, in which our Lord was crucified. The period of time was shown to be three and a half years, or the half week of years predicted by the prophet Daniel. During no former year has the attendance at Church on all these solemnities been so numerous; an evidence, as the writer trusts, of that growth in holiness and that love of devotion, which a steady and persevering observance of daily Christian duties is sure to produce. The more we form a habit of prayer, and especially of social and public prayer, the more may we hope to receive the promised blessing, that where two or three are met together in the name of Christ, there he will be in the midst of them.

The debt for building the Church in Middletown, has induced the Parish to confine the contributions for the spiritual wants of the Church, to the four prescribed by Canon VIIth of this Diocese. These quarterly collections were made in August, November and February, and could not be appropriated until after the collection in May. They will therefore enter into the report of the present Rector, Notwithstanding the inability of the Parish, occasioned by their debt, the contributions during the past year have not been inconsiderable. The venerable Bishop of Illinois received a donation of \$71; and the ladies of the Congregation, with the untiring zeal and industry of their sex, raised by the Christmas sale of articles of their industry, \$70. One half of this sum was given to the Christian Knowledge Society. Of the other half, \$15 were given to Bishop Kemper's Diocese, and \$20 to the Associate Mission of Prairieville, Wisconsin, as a small testimony to zeal and devotion worthy of Apostolic times.

REV. WILLIAM JARVIS.

In consequence of ill-health and severe domestic afflictions, I am prevented from attending the Convention.

During the past year I have on one occasion administered the communion in a neighbouring Church; assisted at the ordination of a Presbyter; and once performed the burial service, and several times the visitation office for the sick in this Parish, in the absence of the Rector.

The affection of my throat, which so far as it affects my ability to speak has not materially changed for the last eight years, forbids my attempting any more extended services than those above mentioned.

REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

In obedience to the first Canon of the Church in this Diocese, as amended in 1841, I have to report:

That, owing to the affection of my throat, I have not felt myself able to resume the duty of preaching.

I have on several occasions assisted the Rev. Dr. Croswell, in the administration of the Holy Communion, and on the 5th inst., I assisted the Rev. Mr. Paddock of Norwich, in the performance of the same duty.

On the 17th day of May last, I laid the corner stone of the Church now building in Birmingham, (Derby.)

These, together with a regular attendance at the meetings of the several boards of Trustees, of which I am a member, constituted all the official acts which I have performed during the past year.

[REV. ISAAC JONES: no Report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.

REV. PASCHAL P. KIDDER, RECTOR.

Families, about 70; baptisms—infants and children, 17, adults, 12, total 29; communicants—added, anew, 45, lost, by death, 2, present number, 88; confirmed, 40; marriages, 3; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 15, scholars a little over 70, including the members of the Bible Class; Missionary and charitable contribution, \$39 94.

The present condition of this Parish is highly prosperous, as might readily be inferred from the above statistics. Besides the morning and evening services on Sunday, the Church has been opened for morning prayers on all those days for which an especial service is set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. I have also occasionally held service at private houses in different parts of the Parish; and, since the completion of the Parsonage, last December, have given an opportunity for all who wished to have personal conversation with me on the subject of religion, to meet me for that purpose at my house on Thursday evening of each week. These occasions it is believed, have been the means of great good. There is evidently a growing attachment to the Church among the majority of her members; and those especially, who have recently become communicants, generally manifest a strong desire to know more of the Church and her excellent institutions, which, until recently, they had but little appreciated.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults, 19, infants, 47, total, 66; communicants—added, 26, died, 4, present number, 167; confirmed, 29; marriages, 2; burials, 32; Sunday School—teachers, 45, scholars, 150, total 195; contributions for Missionary and other benevolent objects, without the Parish, \$320.

On the 6th of September, the new Church edifice,—of the erection of which, notice was given in the last year's report,—was duly consecrated. Since which time, although it contains some 300 sittings more than the old Church, making in all, about 800, it has been as well filled as was the former.

The means for furnishing the Church with carpets, lamps, cushions and books for the chancel, altar, desk and pulpit, amounting to more than \$600, have been provided by the praiseworthy efforts of the ladies' circle of industry. A massive font, of Italian marble, has been presented to the Church by Messrs. S. F. and J. J. Lambert, of Wilton.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH CHESHIRE.

REV. FREDERICK MILLER, JR., MINISTER.

Families, 52; communicants—added, by removal, 4, anew, 21, lost, by death, 2, removals, 6, present number, 90; baptisms—infants, 8,

adults, 4; confirmed, 25; marriages, 1; burials, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 12, scholars, about 35, Bible class, 12; contributions for Missionary and charitable purposes, since November last, \$10 45.

My connection with this Parish commenced in November last. It has been gratifying to see the services, generally well and punctually attended; and there is much cause of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, in considering the past, as well as encouragement with regard to the future.

CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLE HADDAM.

REV. S. NASH, MINISTER.

Having very recently taken charge of this Parish, I have nothing to report on my own behalf, beyond the ordinary services of the sanctuary.

The Records however, show that since the last Convention, one adult has been baptized, and twenty-two have been confirmed; communicants—added, 2, removed, 2, present number, 52.

The Church edifice has been much improved; the Parish having erected a neat and well proportioned tower, with a good bell, and the whole edifice having been thoroughly painted, through the exertions of the ladies.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUAKER'S FARMS, OXFORD.

REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 44; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 4; Confirmed, 9; communicants—added, anew, 1, by removal, 1, lost, by death, 4, by removal, 1, present number, 33; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, 47; marriages, 2; burials, 10; contributions, \$14.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, about 60; baptisms—adults, 6, infants, 7; confirmed, 11; communicants—added, anew, 8, by removal, 2, lost, by removal, 1, by death, 1, present number, 43; burials, 7; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 50, Bible Class, 22; contributions, \$19.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GLASTENBURY.

REV. GEORGE H. NICHOLS, MINISTER.

From last Convention until Easter, I officiated with some few interruptions, in Christ Church, Trumbull, for the Rev. D. G. Tomlinson. On the first Sunday after Easter, I took charge of St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury. I find that the Parish, numbers, families, 75; communicants, 106. During the past ecclesiastical year, there have been baptisms—infants, 9, adults, 4; confirmed, 15; marriages, 6; funerals, 6; communicants, added, anew, 13, lost, by death, 1, by removal, 6.

Since the commencement of my duties in this Parish, there have been, communicants—added, by removal, 11, lost, by death, 2, by removal, 2; marriages, 1; funerals, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 14, scholars, 66.

The Bible Class recently established, it is hoped may prove conducive to our increase in scriptural knowledge and advancement in holiness.

Within the past year there have been contributions for Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$20; for other charitable purposes, \$28 90.

With Christ's promise for our assurance, and with faithfulness on our part, I see not why the borders of our Zion may not be enlarged and her might increased with power from on high.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, LATE MINISTER.

I entered upon my duties as minister of this Parish, on the 8th of August last, and continued to officiate until Easter, when the Rev. Mr. Gordon assumed the charge. During this period it gives me pleasure to state that the same zeal and devotion has characterized the members of this Parish, which has been displayed in years past. Considering the strength which the Parish has already attained, during the last few years of its growth, there is every thing to hope for the future. An excellent spirit prevails among all, in regard to the interests of the Church. I have especially endeavoured to awaken the attention of the people to the importance of the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; the former of which I found had been much neglected. During my labours and pastoral visitations, I have witnessed many encouraging proofs of the existence of vital piety. The following is the record of my official acts. Baptisms—adults, 5, children, 11; marriages, 2; funerals, 2. There has been an accession likewise of 3 to the Holy Communion.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW CANAAN.

REV. DAVID OGDEN, RECTOR.

Families, 53; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 5; communicants—added, by removals, 2, lost, by death, 4, by removals, 7, present number, 77; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars, 70; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$48, of which \$17 were given to Kemper College, \$10 to Bishop Chase, and \$10 to the Christian Knowledge Society.

This Parish is slowly but surely advancing in zeal and strength. The beauties of Zion are daily becoming better known, and better appreciated. May God's blessing continue to rest upon it.

CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.

REV S. B. PADDOCK, RECTOR.

Families, 150; Baptisms—infants, 23, adults, 11, total, 34; confirmed, 28; communicants, added, 34, lost, by removal, 14, by death, 4, present number, 165; burials, 14; Sunday School—teachers, 23, scholars, 157; Missionary and charitable contributions \$246 17.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. WILLIAM PAYNE RECTOR.

Families, 90; baptisms—adults, 3, infants, 8; communicants—added, by removals, 4, anew, 5, lost, by death, 3, by removal, 1, total, 112; marriages, 10, burials, 15; Sunday School—teachers, 13, scholars, 80; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$110.

The rite of Confirmation has not been administered in the Parish during the year. This fact accounts for the unusually small number

of persons who have joined the communion, several preferring to wait for the imposition of the Bishop's hands. The congregation which regularly assembles on the Lord's day, continues to increase; and, the Rector would judge, is now a third larger than when he first took charge of the Parish, nearly four years since. This circumstance, considering that the population of the town is stationary, is an encouraging indication that the Gospel as preached in the Church is gradually being better and better appreciated. But still we need, as a people and as individuals, far greater spirituality, and a more zealous devotion to the interests of Christ; as well as a deeper interest in the peculiar principles of His Church. May God crown all his other blessings with these!

ST. JAMES' CHURCH POQUETONNOCK.

REV. DEXTER POTTER, RECTOR.

Families, 36; communicants—added, anew, 1, total 29; baptisms—omitted in last report, adults, 2, marriage, 1; burial, 1; contributions, \$9.

Since my last report to the Convention, this Parish has erected a handsome Church edifice, which is an ornament to our village, and a blessing to our congregation. Much praise is due to the liberality of those who have assisted in this good work. Of those who have aided us from abroad, we gratefully acknowledge our obligations to Norwich, New London, and Hartford. With this great benefit—secured to ourselves, may we now gather strength, till we become like Mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but standeth fast forever.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WILTON.

REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

Families, 53; baptisms—adults, 9, infants, 30, total, 39; communicants—lost, by removals, 2; added, 13, total, 61; marriages, 3; burials, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 40.

The condition of this Parish continues steadily to improve. The attendance on divine worship has much increased, and the regard paid to the holy sacraments and other means of grace, is much greater than heretofore. We have every reason to believe, from the present eager inquiries, especially among the youthful population, after the *old paths* of holiness and truth, that still larger numbers than the present statistics exhibit, may, by God's blessing, be added to our branch of *the true and living vine*.

Within the last year a handsome baptismal font of Italian marble has been presented to the Parish by Messrs. J. J. & S. F. Lambert.

CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.

REV. NATHANIEL S. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.

Families, 135; baptisms—infants, 8, adult, 1; confirmed, 4; communicants—added, by removals, 4, anew, 5, lost, by death, 1, removals, 4, whole number, 144; marriages, 7; burials, 14; Sunday School—teachers, 16; scholars, 140; Bible Class, 25; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$174 40.

The Rector of this Church would also state, that since his connection with the Parish it has never appeared to be in a more flourish-

ing condition than at the present time. The Providence of God has brought into connection with us an unusual number of families who are in the morning of life, thus promising well for the future prosperity of this part of the vineyard of the Lord, when those who have long borne the burden and heat of the day shall be slumbering in the grave. The demand for seats in our house of worship has been fully equal to its accommodations. The state of our population, scattered over an area of five miles square, and the nature of their employments, have rendered it difficult to assemble them except on the Lord's day, while it also increases greatly the amount of pastoral labor in a thorough visitation of the Parish. The Lent services, however, were well attended throughout, and were blessed, we doubt not, to the spiritual good of some souls.

Our Sunday School has never been conducted with more system, and, we think, with more success, than during the present summer. The small number of confirmations during the past year, is to be attributed partly to the fact, that the visitation of the Bishop, though made at the special request of the Rector, was unexpected by the Parish generally—partly to the fact that we enjoyed two visitations of the Bishop the last year—but more particularly to the fact of the indifference to the subject of religion which prevails throughout this community. It is believed that a considerable number will, at no distant day, present themselves for the reception of that rite.

Our Missionary and charitable contributions, for the year 1841, have been appropriated to the following objects:

Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Church, - - -	\$75 00
Ladies' Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - -	15 00
Christian Knowledge Society, - - -	21 15
Church Scholarship Society, - - -	10 00
By ladies of the Parish for African Mission, - - -	25 00
By ladies for benefit of a Parish in this Diocese, - - -	12 00
Special appropriations within the Parish, for the benefit of the Sunday School, and as "alms for the poor," - . -	16 25
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	\$174 40

In this connection it is proper to state, that since the last Convention the Parish has made appropriations for thoroughly painting the exterior of our Church edifice, giving to it, in connection with other improvements which have been made, the appearance of neatness and taste.

Private individuals have also procured, for the present, the use of a small, but fine toned organ, by which the devotions of God's house are conducted with more due solemnity.

In view of the above facts, we feel called upon to thank God and take courage.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.

REV. RODNEY ROSSITER, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms, infants, 3; communicants—added 'anew, 5, present number, 68; marriages, 4; burials, 9, 5 of them belonging in neighboring towns, or not belonging to the Episcopal Parish; Sunday School—teachers, 9, scholars, 56; Missionary contributions, \$55, viz. to Domestic Missions, \$32 50, Foreign Missions, \$18 50; Christian Knowledge Society, \$4.

Of the number of communicants reported, some three or four have not, I believe, been to our communion for several years, but as yet I have retained their names on my list, as they have given me no notice of intention to withdraw.

[REV. T. G. SALTER : no Report.]

[REV. JOSEPH SCOTT : no Report.]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDHAM.

REV. HENRY BEERS SHERMAN, LATE RECTOR.

Families, 80; baptisms—infants and children, 9, adults, 7; confirmed, 7; communicants—added, anew, 7, present number, 31; marriages, 2; burials, 8; catechumens, 34; contributions, \$6 42.

In every thing but a want of zeal and promptness in its business matters, this Parish continues much as reported at the last Convention.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DANBURY. AND ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL, BETHEL.

REV. D. H. SHORT, LATE RECTOR.

The number of families on the register is 95; families, added, 2, removed from the Parish, 1; baptisms—infants, 4, adult, 1, total, 5; confirmed, none, but some 12 or 15 "ready and desirous to be confirmed;" communicants—added, anew, 9, by removal, 9, lost, by death, 1, by removal, 9, having ceased to commune, 2, present number, 108; marriages, 3; burials, 13.

From the above statistics it can be seen, that there has been a gradual increase in this Parish of the number of families from 75 to 95, and of communicants from 46 to 108 within the last six years. And if the labors of him who has tended this portion of the Lord's flock, has in any degree been instrumental in producing this result, or in adding to the Church such as shall be saved, in confirming the faith of those who wavered, in strengthening the feeble minded, in exciting the lukewarm, and in converting sinners from the error of their ways to serve the living and true God in his holy Church, his be all the honour and praise, who bestoweth strength to labor, and who "giveth the increase."

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.

REV. R. SHAW, MINISTER.

Families, 37; communicants—removed, 3, died, 1, added, 9, total, 48; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 9, total, 10; confirmed, 6; deaths—adults, 3, infant, 1, total, 4; marriages, 2.

UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

REV. JOHN D. SMITH, RECTOR.

Families, 125; baptisms—adults, 4, infants, 21; confirmed, 9; communicants—added, 7, died or removed, 10, present number, 70; marriages, 11; burials, 25; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, about

60; Bible Class, 20; contributions to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, \$5.

Removals, deaths, and other causes, have tended to reduce the number of families belonging to this Parish since the last Convention; but the number of baptisms and burials is more than double that of the year previous. Within the year past the interior of the Church has undergone a thorough repair, the expense of which is about \$150. In consideration of the depressed state of business, and some other discouraging circumstances, this Parish is in a much better condition than could have been anticipated at some seasons during the past year. Nothing can more effectually prove the existence of true piety and stability among Christians, than a little of that opposition which the primitive Christians so successfully withstood.

[REV. ALBERT SPOONER: no Report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

REV. S. STEBBINS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families, 195; baptisms—infants, 27, adults, 3, total, 30; communicants—added, by removals, 2, anew, 24, lost, by death, 3, present number, 200; marriages, 18; burials 30; Sunday School—teachers, 40, scholars, 196.

The amount of Missionary and charitable contributions, together with money otherwise raised in the Parish since the last Convention, has been appropriated as follows:

To objects without the limits of the Parish.

For Christian Knowledge Society,	-	-	-	\$15 00
For Domestic and Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	30 00
For two destitute Parishes in Michigan,	-	-	-	43 17

To objects within the limits of the Parish.

For 12 copies of the Spirit of Missions for gratuitous distribution in the Parish,	-	-	-	10 00
For 60 copies of Children's Magazine for the Sunday School,	-	-	-	12 00
For new books for libraries,	-	-	-	31 38
For maintainance of poor communicants,	-	-	-	22 09
For cushions and carpets for the Church, (amount furnished by Ladies' Sewing Society,)	-	-	-	125 00
For pulpit lamps, (amount procured and furnished by ladies,)	-	-	-	50 00
For incidental expenses,	-	-	-	8 00

Amount, \$346 64

To this should be added the amount expended in building a new pulpit and chancel, and in otherwise repairing and furnishing the inside of the Church edifice, - - 546 47

Making the whole amount, (exclusive of the Rector's salary,) for the past year, - - - - \$893 11

The Parish, I believe, is united and prosperous.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, WOLCOTT.

REV. SERVILIUS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families, 30; baptism, infant, 1; communicants—added, anew, 1, by removals, 2, lost, by death, 1, present number, 58; marriages,

1 ; confirmed, 3 ; Sunday School—teachers, 7, scholars, 25 ; Bible Class, 20 ; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$14 15.

In addition to my regular services in this Parish, I have preached five sermons in the Church at Southington, and gave the communion once. Number of communicants. 10.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HUNTINGTON.

REV. GEORGE A. STERLING, RECTOR

Nothing worthy of any particular notice has occurred in this Parish during the last conventional year. Many changes cannot be usually looked for in a small society, widely scattered over the county. It is believed however, that this Parish is gradually increasing in temporal and spiritual prosperity. Our Bible Class and Sunday School contains about 32 scholars ; families, about 50 ; infant baptisms, 2 ; communicants—slowly increasing, 2 added last Sabbath, in all about 44 ; Missionary contributions, \$30 00.

CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.

REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, RECTOR.

The external condition of this Parish remains without any material change from the last year ; and the Rector does not feel warranted to report any special advance in its spiritual character.

Families, from 80 to 85 ; baptisms, infants, 5 ; communicants—added, anew, 4, died, 1, present number, 86 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 5 ; Sunday School—teachers, 10, scholars, about 60. The "Offerings of the Church," collected monthly, from Easter 1841 to Easter 1842, \$40, including a donation of \$9 to Bishop Chase, for Jubilee College, from individuals who handed their several donations to the Rector.

Our Parish needs very much the quickening influences of the Holy Spirit ; and yet how can we expect those influences to be granted in abundant measure, unless the members of it shall be diligent and earnest in prayer, and in the use of other means of grace ? Surely God waiteth to be gracious ; but, to use the language of the Prophet, "Thus saith the Lord God ; I will yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them."

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STAMFORD.

REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, RECTOR.

Families, 107 ; baptisms, 13, all children ; communicants—added, anew, 3, by removal, 7, lost, by death, 6, whole number, 133 ; marriages, 8 ; burials, 20 ; Sunday School—teachers, 11, scholars, 50, library, 300 volumes ; Contributions to Christian Knowledge Society, \$20. The Parish is believed to be in a prosperous state. The attendance upon the services of the Church are regular and uniform, and the Rector is happy in the belief that many of the flock committed to his charge are advancing in the divine life and becoming more and more meet for the inheritance of the Saints in light. The Corner Stone of a new Church was laid by the Bishop on the 13th of May last. The foundation at this moment is nearly completed, and the frame will be put up in a few days. The dimensions of the building are to be 48 by 70 feet and its style Gothic.

CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families, 40 ; baptisms, infants, 3 ; confirmed, 1 ; communicants—added, anew, 1, present number, 39 ; marriages, 4 ; burial, 1 ; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 28 ; contributions, Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, \$10. Other sums have been contributed to sustain the Sunday School, and to improve the performance of Sacred Music, by procuring for the year, a competent teacher from abroad.

Hitherto this Church has been closed on the Lord's Day *one half* of the time, and while this practice continues, any considerable increase from a stationary population, can hardly be expected ; it is however, confidently believed that if this Parish would awake to the extent of their ability, this Church, with the assistance which might be realized from abroad by such an effort, would soon “lengthen her cords, and strengthen her stakes.”

“The silver and the gold is mine, saith the Lord, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.” To enlarge, beautify, and render comfortable and respectable “the place of the Sanctuary,” it is only requisite for the people to “*have a mind to work.*” Whilst it is a subject of devout gratitude to Almighty God, that from the commencement of his ministry, the Rector of this little flock has been permitted to behold them “dwelling together in unity,” and externally prosperous, he has nevertheless, at times, been constrained to admit the applicability of the message to the Laodiceans of olden time.

May the good Lord forgive any culpable remissness of Minister and People, and henceforth cause his face to shine upon the Sanctuary. Spirit of Jehovah ! “prosper thou our doings :” “O prosper thou, our handy work.”

In explanation of the cause of so small a Confirmation, it is proper to state, that other candidates were prevented from being present at the late visitation of our Diocesan, by a severe storm, and ill health.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW HAVEN, (WESTVILLE.)

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families, 38 ; baptisms, infants, 3 ; confirmed, 4 ; communicants—added, anew, 2, present number, 25 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 8 ; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 25 ; contributions—Monthly Offerings, \$19 25, Domestic Missions, \$5, Christian Knowledge Society, \$5.

The present incumbent entered upon the duties of this Parish about one year since, and to the present period has officiated regularly on Sundays *one half* of the time, and given occasional Lectures on other occasions, as his health would permit. This people have been sorely visited with sickness and death the last Winter and Spring, but in the midst of chastisement the Lord has remembered mercy ; and it has been the happy privilege of the Rector to direct some few anxious and enquiring souls to the “Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world,” who have found joy and peace in believing : for this undeserved token of the divine goodness, God's Holy name be praised. Situated in a manufacturing district, this Parish is now suffering severely from the suspension of business in this department, from the fact that almost every individual obtains

a livelihood by mechanical pursuits. This circumstance, together with being still encumbered with quite a debt for the late erection of their Church, (which was contracted for in prosperous times,) obliges them to solicit a continuance of the fostering aid of the Church in order to maintain their present standing.

It is believed that no Parish in the Diocese contributes more liberally, in proportion to their ability, to sustain the institutions of religion; and they confidently look for encouragement at this peculiar crisis, from their brethren who have it in their hearts, and in their hands, to strengthen the weak and confirm the feeble, while by their almsdeeds they virtually say to them that are of a fearful heart; "Be strong, fear not, for who hath despised the day of small things?"

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHLEM.

REV. I. H. TUTTLE, RECTOR.

Families, 41; baptisms—infants, 4, adult, 1; communicants—added, anew, 4, lost, by death, 1, total, 54; marriages, 5; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, about 35; Bible Class, 15, which is conducted by the Rector.

This Parish willingly continues the effort recently made to sustain the entire services of a clergyman, and its prospects are thought more encouraging than at any previous period. Its contributions for Missionary objects without the Parish, are \$17 50; and there have been laudable exertions made by individuals for convenient accommodations at Church, at the expense of more than \$200. We can but trust that the steady increase of the congregation on the services of the Church is the index of the spiritual growth and strength of the Parish.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, RECTOR.

Families, 51; baptisms, infant, 1; confirmed, 7; communicants—lost, by death, 1, by removals, 3, adults, anew, 2, total, 72; marriage, 1; burials, 8; Sunday School—about the same as in last report; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$43 96.

Several baptisms will probably soon be administered; and several new communicants will probably soon be added to our number.

The plan of pastoral visitations is substantially the same as stated in the last report. We have found the monthly catechetical exercises (in the place of the afternoon Sermon on the third Sunday in the month) particularly useful. Nearly one hundred dollars have been expended for stoves and blinds for the Church, and some fifty dollars for the improvement of the singing in Church, and the Parish has added more than one-fourth to the salary of their Rector.

We have much cause for thankfulness, and we trust that the mercies of God may quicken us to a new life of faith and devotedness.

GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

REV. WILLIAM WARLAND, RECTOR.

Families, 33; baptisms—adults, 2, infants, 2; confirmed, 8; communicants—added, anew, 8, lost, by death, 4, present number, 38; marriages, 1; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 45.

The Rector of this Parish is at present, absent from the Diocese, on account of ill health.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. WILLIAM WATSON, RECTOR.

Families, 103; Baptisms—infants, 9, adults, 3, total, 12; confirmed, 20; communicants—added, by removals, 1, anew, 14, lost, by death, 3, removals, 2, present number, 209; marriages, 5; burials, 14; Sunday School—teachers, 14, scholars, 123, Bible Class, 60; Missionary and charitable contributions—

Church Missions without the Diocese,	-	-	\$45 00
For the relief of a feeble Parish in the neighbourhood			24 50
Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge,	-	-	50 00
Church Scholarship Society, from the Ladies' Educa. Soc.,			64 00
Collections on hand unappropriated,	-	-	72 33

Total for objects *without* the Parish, - - - \$255 83

In addition to these statistics it is proper to add, by way a showing more fully what the present condition of this Parish, is, that the attendance of the people on the services of the Lord's day, and on those appointed for the festivals and fasts of the Church was never better than the past year. The number of pew holders is greater than at any time heretofore. The regular congregation is increased. The young men in it are coming forward and lending their support with a commendable zeal, while in all, both old and young, there is a growing attachment to the peculiar order and distinctive doctrines of the Church. So that in every point of view, whether internal and spiritual or external and temporal, never, perhaps, were the prospects of this venerable Parish better than now.

[REV. RANSON WARNER : no Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

REV. EDWIN WILSON WILTBANK, RECTOR.

Families, 102; baptisms—infants, 2, adults, 2; communicants—added, by removals, 3, anew, 2, present number, 121; marriages, 2; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 15, scholars, 60, contributions Christian Knowledge Society, \$20, Missions, \$23.

This report extends back only to Easter. For particulars of the Parish, previous to Easter, reference may be made to the report of the late Rector, the Rev. Samuel Farmer Jarvis, D. D., LL. D.

Some of the services above mentioned, were performed by the late Rector, subsequent to his resignation of the Rectorship of the Parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHANY.

REV. F. B. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

I have had the charge of this Parish since Easter. There are nominally connected with it not far from 100 families. About 50 of these families have purchased seats in the Church, or give something for the support of the gospel. There is a small Sunday School of about 27 scholars; and a Bible Class consisting of about 12 young ladies.

There are on the Parochial register, (after deducting the deceased and removed,) 28 male communicants, and 78 female, whole number, 106. We feel the need in Bethany, that "the times of refreshing

shall come from the presence of the Lord;” and while our *Marthas* may be too “careful and troubled about many things,” we have some *Marys* who are watching unto prayer for their Master to come and raise the dead to life.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENWICH.

REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Families, 54; baptisms—infants, 4, adult, 1; communicants—added, 5; marriages, 4; burials, adults, 5; Sunday School—teachers, 8, scholars, 40; Missionary and other charitable contributions, \$46 25.

Since the last annual report, Emanuel Church, a very neat and beautiful edifice of the gothic style of architecture, has been erected in Glenville, by the liberality of Samuel G. Cornell, Esq. Divine service, however, had been frequently celebrated Sunday evenings, at that place since my connection with this Parish, before the erection of the present Chapel. With the assistance of a few zealous individuals, I have organized a Sunday School which is already well attended. I also performed divine service there now, every Lord’s day evening, to an attentive assembly.

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—1842.

Families in 66 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5536
Baptisms in 66 Parishes—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	661
do do adults	-	-	-	-	-	-	213—874
Confirmations in 39 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	630
Communicants in 64 Parishes—							
do added, by removals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	242
do do anew,	-	-	-	-	-	-	727—969
do lost, by removals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	230
do do death,	-	-	-	-	-	-	144—374
do actual gain in 64	-	-	-	-	-	-	595
do present number in 64 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5969
Marriages in 57 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	302
Deaths in 62 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	633
Sunday Schools in 57 Parishes,—teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	794
do do scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3587
Missionary and charitable contributions in 48 Parishes,							\$7,467 52
For Parochial purposes in 4 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000 00

The number of families reported this year, is larger than ever reported before, being last year 5421, in 70 Parishes, and this year, 5536, in 64 Parishes. The number of Infant Baptisms, and new Communicants has been greater than ever before, except in the year 1832, when they exceed the present year. The largest increase has been in the following years:—

Year.	Inf. Bap.	Confirmation.	New Com.	S. School.
1832	739	1210	910	4500
1838	598	546	600	4530
1841	576	490	688	3730
1842	661	630	727	3587

Baptisms reported in 23 years,	-	-	-	-	-	13,636
Communicants, do.	-	-	-	-	-	9,382
New Communicants do.	-	-	-	-	-	7,519

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop reports that he has visited during the past year more than *forty* Parishes, and administered the Holy of Rite Confirmation to 630 persons ;—that *five* candidates have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and the same number to the Priesthood ;—that *five* Churches have been consecrated, and the Corner Stone of *two* laid ; that *one* clergyman has died ;—that *seven* have taken letters dimissory to other Dioceses—and the same number Canonically received into it ;—that *four* Clergymen have resigned their charges, and *five* been transferred to other stations in the Diocese ;—that there are *fourteen* candidates for Holy Orders—and that *one* has recently requested his name to be withdrawn for reasons satisfactory—though not affecting his moral or religious character.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS

IN THE CONVENTION, 1842.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D, LL. D., Bishop ; residing at Hartford.

Rev. William B. Ashley, Rector of St. James' Church Derby.

Rev. William Atwill, Minister, Christ Church, Reading.

*Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, residing at Stratford.

Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Guilford, and Union Church, Killingworth.

Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley, Principal of the Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.

Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.

*Rev. George Benton, Missionary to Crete.

Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.

Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.

Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., Rector of St. James' Church, Newtown.

Rev. Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn, and Christ Church, Pomfret.

Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.

Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Haven, and Christ Church, West Haven, and Editor of the Practical Christian and Church Chronicle.

- Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury.
 Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Rector, of St. John's Church, Bridgeport.
 Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Southport.
 Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.
 Rev. A. C. Cox, Minister, of St. John's Church, Hartford.
 Rev. Harry Crosswell, D.D., Rector of Trinity Parish, New Haven.
 Rev. J. T. Cushing, Rector St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.
 *Rev. D. L. Devins, minister, of St. John's Church, Salisbury.
 *Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, residing at Litchfield.
 Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.
 Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector of Grace Church, Hamden.
 Rev. George L. Foote, Minister of Christ Church, Roxbury, and
 St. Andrew's Church, Kent, and St. John's Church, Washington.
 Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector, of St. Peter's Church, Hebron.
 Rev. George S. Gordon, Minister, of St. Andrew's Church, New
 Preston, and St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.
 Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Britain.
 Rev. Thomas T. Guion, Minister, St. James' Church and St.
 Thomas Chapel, Danbury.
 Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James' Church, New
 London.
 Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wood-
 bury.
 Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, North-
 field.
 Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.
 Rev. Warner Hoyt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.
 Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New
 Milford.
 *Rev. Abner Jackson, adjunct Professor of Ancient Languages in
 Washington College.
 Rev. Samuel Farmer Jarvis, D. D. LL. D., residing at Middletown.
 *Rev. William Jarvis, residing at Chatham.
 Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.
 *Rev. Isaac Jones, residing at Litchfield.
 Rev. P. P. Kidder, Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.
 Rev. Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.
 Rev. William C. Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
 Rev. Frederick Miller, Jr, Minister, St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.
 Rev. William F. Morgan, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish,
 New Haven.
 Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish,
 New Haven.
 Rev. Abel Nichols, Rector of Christ Church, Oxford.
 Rev. Geo. H. Nichols, Minister, St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.
 *Rev. David Ogden, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.
 Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.
 Rev. William Payne, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.
 Rev. Dexter Potter, Rector of St. James' Church, Preston, (Poque-
 tonnuck.)
 Rev. John Purves, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.
 Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church, Water-
 town.
 Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Monroe.
 *Rev. T. G. Salter, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.
 *Rev. T. S. Savage, Missionary to Africa.

- *Rev. Joseph Scott, residing at Warehouse Point.
 Rev. Robert Shaw, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Northford.
 Rev. Henry Beers Sherman, late Rector of St. Paul's Church, Windham.
 Rev. John D. Smith, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.
 *Rev. Albert Spooner, residing at Norwich.
 Rev. G. A. Sterling, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Huntington.
 Rev. Servilius Stocking, officiating in All Saints' Church, Wolcott.
 Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.
 *Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector of St John's Church, Stamford.
 Rev. David G. Tomlinson, Rector of Christ Church, Trumbull.
 Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., President of Washington College, Hartford.
 Rev. Henry Townsend, Minister of Christ Church, East Haven, and St. James' Church, Westville.
 Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.
 Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Rector of St. John's Church, Essexborough, (Saybrook.)
 *Rev. William Warland, Jr., Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.
 *Rev. William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.
 *Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Tarriffville, (Simsbury.)
 Rev. Edwin W. Wiltbank, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.
 Rev. Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.
 Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.

Total, 78.

The Clergymen to whose names asterisk (*) is prefixed, were not present at this Convention.

CLERGY NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1842.

Rev. J. D. Berry.	Rev. George C. Shepard.
" Benjamin Benham.	" C. J. Todd.
" Peter G. Clark.	" G. S. White.
" E. J. Darken.	" M. Wilcox.
" C. I. Good.	" H. Stanley.
" E. J. Ives.	" C. W. Everest.
" Z. H. Mansfield.	" J. Morgan.—15.
" Birdsey G. Noble.	

CLERGY OFFICIATING IN THE DIOCESE, BUT NOT CANONICALLY CONNECTED THEREWITH: JUNE, 1842.

Rev. E. C. Bull,	} Of the Diocese of New York.
" C. W. Bradley,	
" S. Nichols,	
" G. W. Nichols,	

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

William G. French.
Isaac D. Hubbard.
Giles H. Deshon.
Benjamin G. Whitman.
Joseph Salkeld.
William Augustus Hanson.
Henry D. Noble.

William H. Frisbie.
James Bradin.
Thomas M. Peters.
William H. Clark.
Henry Decoven.
Junius M. Willey.
Jonathan Coe, 2d.

LIST OF THE PARISHES

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE
OF CONNECTICUT, 1842.

Hartford County.

Hartford, { Christ Church,
 { St. John's Church.
Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.
Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.
Granby, St. Peter's Church.
East Windsor, (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.
Southington, ——— Church,
Bristol, Trinity Church.
New Britain, St. Mark's Church.

Windham County.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.
Pomfret, Christ Church.
Windham, St. Paul's Church.

Middlesex County.

Middletown, Christ Church.
Portland, Trinity Church.
Middle Haddam, Christ Church.
East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.
Saybrook, { (Essex,) St. John's Church.
 { Grace Church.
North Killingworth, Union Church.

New London County.

New London, St. James' Church.
Norwich, Christ Church.
Preston, (Poquetonnuck,) St. James' Church.
Salem, Christ Church.

New Haven County.

New Haven, { Trinity Church.
 { St. Paul's Chapel.
 { St. James' Church, (Westville.)
 Guilford, Christ Church.
 North Guilford, St. John's Church.
 Branford, Trinity Church.
 North Branford, Zion Church.
 East Haven, Christ Church.
 North Haven, St. John's Church.
 Northford, St. Andrew's Church.
 Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.
 Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.
 Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.
 Hamden, Grace Church.
 West Haven, Christ Church.
 Milford, St. George's Church.
 Derby, St. James' Church.
 Humphreysville, Union Church.
 Oxford, { St. Peter's Church.
 { Christ Church, (Quaker's Farms.)
 Waterbury, St. John's Church.
 Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.
 Woodbridge, Trinity Church.
 Middlebury, ——— Church.
 Bethany, Christ Church.
 Wolcott, All Saint's Church.

Fairfield County.

Stratford, Christ Church.
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.
 Weston, ——— Church.
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.
 Stamford, St. John's Church.
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.
 Danbury, { St. James' Church.
 { St. Thomas' Chapel, (Bethel.)
 Reading, Christ Church,
 Newtown, { Trinity Church.
 { St. James' Church.
 Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.
 Huntington, St. Paul's Church.
 Monroe, St. Peter's Church.
 Trumbull, Christ Church.
 New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.
 Greenwich, Christ Church.
 Westport, Christ Church.

Litchfield County.

Litchfield St. Michael's Church.
 Bradleyville, ——— Church.
 Milton, ——— Church.
 Northfield, Trinity Church.

New Milford, St. John's Church.
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.
 Sharon, Christ Church.
 Kent, St. Andrew's Church,
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.
 Washington, St. John's Church.
 Salisbury, St. John's Church.
 Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.
 Roxbury, Christ Church.
 Watertown, Christ Church.
 Canaan, ——— Church.
 Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church.
 { St. Matthew's Church.
 Hitchcocksville, Union Church.
 Harwinton, Christ Church.

Tolland County.

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.	<i>Diocese of Connecticut in Account with E. E. Beardsley, Treasurer.</i>	Cr.
To cash paid Stanley & Chapin, for Printing Journals, 1841, 1000 cop.	\$131,38	By balance from last account, as per Journal, p. 51, - - - - - \$103,14½
To cash paid Belknap & Hamersley, for binding 3 vols. Journals, - - - - -	1,26	By cash received from sundry Parishes, as per Journal, p. 52., - - - 179,45
To cash paid for Stationery, - - - - -	,62	
To cash paid for Transcribing Journal, 1841. -	1,50	Total, \$282,59½ 275,76
To cash paid Assessment of General Convention for 1841, - - - - -	69,75	Balance in hand - - \$6,83
To cash advanced to Stanley & Chapin, for Re-print of the early Journals of the Diocese, -	66,00	
To cash paid Sundry Postages, - - - - -	1,75	
To cash paid for advertising Notices of Convention and Standing Committee, in the "Church Chronicle," - - - - -	3,50	
	\$275,76	

**THE FOLLOWING PARISHES PAID THEIR ASSESSMENT
FOR 1842, AS REQUIRED BY CANON II.**

St. John's Church, North Haven,	-	-	\$1 00
Christ Church, Westport, 1841-2	-	-	8 25
St. James' Church, New London,	-	-	5 62½
St. John's Church, Waterbury,	-	-	5 62½
Trinity Church, Portland,	-	-	4 50
St. John's Church, Hartford,	-	-	7 50
St. James' Church, Poquetonock,	-	-	1 00
Union Church, Humphreysville,	-	-	3 00
Christ Church, East Haven,	-	-	1 87½
St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,	-	-	6 00
St. James' Church, Danbury, and St. Thomas'			
Church, Bethel,	-	-	3 75
Trinity Church, Brooklyn,	-	-	3 00
St. Paul's Church, Woodbury,	-	-	3 00
St. Peter's Church, Monroe,	-	-	2 00
St. Andrew's Church, Meriden,	-	-	3 75
St. Paul's Church, Huntington,	-	-	1 94
St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,	-	-	3 37½
St. Peter's Church, Hebron,	-	-	1 50
St. James' Church, Westville,	-	-	1 12½
St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,	-	-	3 75
Christ Church, Sharon,	-	-	3 00
St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,	-	-	3 75
Christ Church, Bethlehem,	-	-	3 75
Christ Church, Middletown,	-	-	4 50
St. John's Church, Bridgeport,	-	-	7 50
Trinity Church, Fairfield,	-	-	4 50
St. Paul's Church, Windham,	-	-	3 00
Christ Church, West Haven,	-	-	1 12½
Trinity Church, Newtown,	-	-	4 87
Christ Church, Greenwich,	-	-	3 75
St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,	-	-	1 87½
St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,	-	-	3 75
Trinity Church, Branford,	-	-	3 00
St. John's Church, Essex,	-	-	3 00
St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,	-	-	4 87½
Christ Church, Watertown,	-	-	4 50
All Saint's Church, Wolcott,	-	-	2 25
St. James' Church, Derby,	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Quaker's Farms,	-	-	3 75
St. Andrew's Church, Northford,	-	-	1 00
Christ Church, Norwich,	-	-	6 75
Christ Church, Trumbull,	-	-	2 25
St. Mark's Church, New Canaan,	-	-	3 00
Christ Church, Hartford,	-	-	9 00
St. John's Church, North Guilford,	-	-	1 40
Union Church, Killingworth,	-	-	40
Grace Church Hamden,	-	-	3 75
Christ Church, Bethany,	-	-	2 25

Amount carried over, \$173 11

By amount brought forward,				\$173 11
St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,	-	-	-	3 75
St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,	-	-	-	3 00
St. Mark's Church, New Britain,	-	-	-	2 75
Trinity Church, New Haven,	-	-	-	21 00
Trinity Church, Bristol,	-	-	-	2 25
St. Matthew's Church, Wilton,	-	-	-	3 75
				<hr/> 36 50
				<hr/> \$209 61

*The following Parishes did not pay into the Convention Fund
for the current year.*

Milton.	Middlebury.	Stamford.	Weston.
Milford.	Quakers' Farms.	Bradleyville,	Granby.
Washington.	Simsbury.	East Windsor,	Litchfield.
Middle Haddam.	Salem.	Northfield.	Bridgewater.
East Haddam.	Reading.	Pomfret.	Watertown.
North Branford.	Oxford.	Roxbury.	Kent.
Gulford.	Stratford.	Southington.	Saybrook,

APPENDIX, NO. II.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROMO- TION OF CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

The Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, in presenting his sixth account current for the year ending the second Tuesday in June, 1842, has great pleasure in stating to the Convention that the pecuniary affairs of the Society are in a better condition now than they have been at any time since he has held the office.

For the first five years, from the Convention of 1836 to that of 1841, the contributions of many of the Parishes were irregular and fluctuating. This was partly owing to the pecuniary embarrassments of the times, and partly to a want of system, perhaps a want of hearty conviction of the necessity of system. From whatever causes this irregularity proceeded, the receipts were as follows:

1836-37.	Balance from the late Treasurer, \$155; bank dividends due \$24; contributions from 49 Churches in 47 towns, \$957 40, making a total of	\$1136 40
1837-38.	Dividend of the Phœnix Bank, \$4; collection at the Convention, \$68 42; contributions from 47 Churches in 45 towns, \$699 82, making a total of	772 28
1838-39.	Three dividends Phœnix Bank, \$23; collection, \$44 46; legacy to the permanent fund by Miss Sherman, \$366 46; contributions from 52 Churches in 48 towns, \$1074 86, - - - - -	1508 78
1839-40.	Two dividends Phœnix Bank, \$15; collection, \$46 66; contributions from 45 Churches in 44 towns, \$759 05, making a total of - - - - -	820 71
1840-41.	Two dividends, \$14; interest on Miss Sherman's legacy, \$22 02; contributions from 46 Churches in 43 towns \$1188 78, making a total of, - - - - -	1224 80
Total amount received from Conv. of 1836 to that of 1841,		\$5462 97
Deducting from this Miss Sherman's legacy to the permanent fund, - - - - -		367 00

There remains the sum appropriated for those five years to the annual expenses of the Society, of - - - \$5095 97
Exhibiting an average of \$1019 19 for each year.

During the same period the expenditures for Missionary purposes were as follows:

1836-37.	There were 18 Parishes assisted, and the total amount expended was	\$107
1837-38.	14 Parishes assisted; appropriations made \$1020, to which \$50 were subsequently added; arrearages for the preceding year were paid, \$118, and on the appropriations then made \$465 33, making a total of	583
1838-39.	Parishes assisted, 16; appropriations first made, \$750; two subsequently added of \$50 and \$100; total, \$900. The amounts paid were on arrearages of the preceding year, \$585 92, on the appropriations of that year, \$575; total,	116
1839-40.	Parishes assisted, 22; appropriations made, \$1200; amount paid on arrearages of the preceding year, \$226 35; amount paid on the appropriations of this year, \$637 50; total,	863
1840-41.	Parishes assisted, 19; appropriations made, \$835; amount paid on arrearages of the preceding year, \$693 77; amount paid on appropriations of this year, \$505; total,	1198
Whole amount paid for Missionary purposes from the Convention of 1836 to that of 1841,		\$4882
Contingent expenses during the same period were, for blank books, printing, postages, losses on uncurrent money, and counterfeit bills,		19
Balance carried to account at the last Convention,		194
		<hr/> \$5095

During the past year the amount received until Michaelmas, w the first semi-annual payment was due, was \$1018 41, from the lowing sources :

Balance from last year remaining in the Treasurer's hands,	\$194
From the permanent fund; interest due June 12, 1841, on Miss Sherman's legacy,	22
From the permanent fund; dividend in September, 1841, from two shares Phoenix Bank,	7
Sums received at the Convention of 1841; collection after the Annual Sermon,	39
Sums received at the Convention from 47 Churches in 45 towns, \$758 12; deduct several amounts as per Journal, p. 57, \$9 46,	748
Cash received after the Convention from the Parish of Weston, by Rev. C. J. Todd,	7
	<hr/> \$1018

The liabilities of the Society, from the Convention in 1841 to Michaelmas, were \$1007 50, leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of \$10 91, as follows:

One Michaelmas payment of last year, \$25; 13 Easter payments, \$315; total,	\$340
New appropriations made June 9, and Aug. 4, considered as arrearages,	282

Amount carried over, \$622

	By amount brought forward,	\$622 50
New appropriations made Aug. 4, 1841,	\$695, of which \$385	
were ordered to be paid at Michaelmas,	- - - - -	385 00
Balance remaining in the Treasurer's hands after the Mich-		
aelmas payment, - - - - -	- - - - -	10 91
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		\$1018 41

The funds of the Society being thus exhausted, the Treasurer published in the Chronicle of the Church a statement of the fact. Several Parishes and pious individuals responded to this call upon their christian charity, as will be seen by the account current herewith presented. From the 15th of December, 1841, to the 7th of June, 1842, he has received,—

From the permanent fund, the March dividend of the Phœ-		
nix Bank, - - - - -	- - - - -	\$7 00
Offerings of the Church, from Parishes, societies, and be-		
nevolent individuals, - - - - -	- - - - -	391 33
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		\$398 33

To which add the balance remaining after the Michaelmas		
payments, - - - - -	- - - - -	10 91
Making the amount in the Treasurer's hands to meet the		<hr/>
Easter payments, - - - - -	- - - - -	\$409 24

The liabilities of the Society for the same period are as follows :

The balance of the appropriation, Aug. 4th, 1841, of \$695,		
\$310; amount of sundry postages during the year, char-		
ged June 8th, 75 cents, - - - - -	- - - - -	\$310 75
Leaving a balance, after all the appropriations of the last		<hr/>
year are paid, of - - - - -	- - - - -	\$98 49

There is an apparent difference between the balance in this report and that of the account current, but this proceeds altogether from the confusion occasioned by the regularities of payment during the last two years. The balance in the account current of the past year is \$428 9; that in the present report is \$98 49. The difference between them is \$330, which sum is now actually due on former appropriations, as follows: to Pomfret, \$50, New Britain, \$25, Bethlem, \$25, Huntington, \$25, Westville, \$25. Harwinton, \$25, Wolcott, \$25, Branford, \$25, Naugatuck, \$15, Woodbury, \$15, Bristol, \$25, and Middle Had-dam two payments of \$25 or \$50; total, - - - - -

	330 00
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	\$428 49

These payments may be made at the present Convention, and thus all past irregularities will be rectified. Hereafter, if the several Parishes are systematic and uniform in the collection of their offerings, and if the appropriations for each year do not exceed the amount actually contributed, there can be no real occasion for want of order or punctuality. The Parishes assisted, as well as the Clergy, will know what they may depend on receiving, and when it will be received. If every Parish should adopt the system repeatedly urged by the Treasurer, of making the collections of each year into Easter

offerings and Christmas offerings, he will then be in funds to meet the Michaelmas and Easter appropriations. In order to avoid the trouble and expense of transmitting small sums from the weaker Parishes, it has occurred to him that some person of business habits, and willing for the sake of the Church to undertake the trouble, might be appointed in the counties of New Haven, Fairfield, Litchfield and Hartford, to receive the offerings according to the convenience of the several Parishes, and either deposit them in some Bank, subject to the order of the Treasurer, or transmit them directly to him as might be deemed expedient. It would then be in the Treasurer's power, on receiving the Bishop's order properly endorsed, to transmit through the same banks, or otherwise, the several payments to the clergy as soon as they should become due.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

*The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, in account
with Samuel Farmar Jarvis, their Treasurer, Dr.*

1841.

June 9,	To cash paid this day on arrearages of appropriations made Aug. 4, 1840, and considered as due at Easter, 1841, ten in number, as follows:	
" "	To Rev. B. M. Yarrington, Greenwich,	\$15 00
" "	To Rev. D. Ogden, New Canaan,	15 00
" "	To Rev. O. Hopson, Middlebury,	25 00
" "	To Rev. D. H. Short, Danbury,	25 00
" "	To Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,	25 00
" "	To Rev. G. S. Gordon, Washington,	25 00
" "	To Rev. Z. H. Mansfield, Warehouse Point,	25 00
" "	To Rev. J. M. Guion, New Britain,	25 00
" "	To Rev. Servilius Stocking, Wolcott,	25 00
" "	To Rev. B. S. Huntington, Middle Haddam,	25 00
" "	To cash paid Rev. J. H. Tuttle, Bethlem, appropriation this day for one year, and considered as due at Easter, 1841,	50 00
" 15,	To cash paid Rev. Charles J. Todd, being for one year in the Parish of Weston,	30 00
July 20,	To cash paid Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, being a special appropriation, made June 9, 1841, of funds contributed by Waterbury and Plymouth,	37 50
" 21,	To cash paid Rev. Dexter Potter, Poqueton-nuck, considered as due at Easter,	15 00
Aug. 10.	To cash paid Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Harwin- ton, as ordered by appropriation, August 4, 1841,	30 00
" 17,	To cash paid Rev. P. P. Kidder, Branford, due at Easter,	15 00
" 19,	To cash paid Rev. Z. H. Mansfield, being the sum contributed by Christ Church, Hartford, for the benefit of the Parish of Warehouse Point, ordered Aug. 4, 1841,	50 00

Amount carried over, \$457 50

By amount brought forward, \$457 50

Aug. 25, To cash paid Rev. S. T. Carpenter, Salisbury, due at Easter, 25 00

Making the total amount of ar- } rearages due at Easter, 1841, } . . . \$482 50

Oct. 8, To Cash paid at sundry times from this date to Nov. 11, as follows:

To Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. Servilius Stocking, Wolcott, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. D. Potter, Poquetonnuck, . . . 75 00
 To Rev. P. P. Kidder, Branford, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. D. H. Short, Danbury, . . . 15 00
 To Rev. O. Hopson, Naugatuck, . . . 15 00
 To Rev. J. M. Guion, New Britain, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. G. A. Sterling, Huntington, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury, . . . 15 00
 To Rev. J. H. Tuttle, Bethlem, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. H. Townsend, Westville, . . . 25 00

1842.

Jan. 21, To cash paid Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Harwinton, due at Michaelmas, 1841, . . . 25 00

Total of payments due at Michael- } mas, 1841, twelve in number, } . . . 320 00

Mar. 28, To cash paid from Easter, considered as then due, as follows:

To Rev. D. H. Short, Danbury, . . . 15 00
 To Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven, . . . 25 00
 To Rev. B. M. Yarrington, Greenwich, . . . 30 00

April 4, To cash paid Rev. G. L. Foote, for Kent, by a resolution passed Aug. 4, 1841, . . . 115 00

Total on account of Easter payments, . . . 185 00

June 8, To amount of sundry postages paid, . . . 75

" " To balance in the Treasurer's hands to be carried to new account, . . . 428 49

\$1416 74

Per Contra.

1841.

June 9, By balance of last account as per Journal of 1841, p. 54, \$194 17

" " By nett amount received at the Convention of 1841, as per Journal, p. 57, 788 22

" 12, By interest due this day on Miss Vashti Sherman's legacy, 22 02

" 15, By cash received from the Parish of Weston, by Rev. C. J. Todd, 7 00

Sept. 11, By half yearly dividend on two shares Phoenix Bank Stock, 7 00

Amount carried over, \$1018 41

	By amount brought over,	\$1018 41
Dec. 15,	By cash from an unknown benefactor, through the Rev. L. T. Bennett,	10 00
" 30,	By Christmas offerings of Christ Church, Middle Haddam, through Ezra Foote Treasurer,	5 47
" "	By Christmas offerings of Christ Church, East Haven, through Rev. H. Townsend,	10 00
1842.		
Jan. 3,	By Christmas offerings of Christ Church, Bethany, through Rev. Isaac Jones,	5 00
" 5,	By Christmas offerings of St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, through Rev. D. Ogden,	5 00
" 6,	By cash from the Female Missionary Society of Christ Church, Middletown, being part of the proceeds of the Christmas sale of articles of their industry,	35 00
Feb. 1,	By Cash from Trinity Church, Fairfield, by Rev. N. E. Cornwall,	20 00
March 5,	By offerings of Christ Church, Bethlehem, through the Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle,	2 00
" 29,	By Christmas offerings of St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, \$9 24, and collection in Sunday School of do., forwarded by the Rev. W. B. Ashley, \$3 41; whole amount,	12 65
April 4,	By donation from a lady in St. Paul's Church, Brookfield, through Rev. E. C. Bull,	25 00
" 15,	By offerings from the Parish of Christ Church, Greenwich,	15 00
" 21,	By half yearly dividend on two shares Phoenix Bank Stock,	7 00
May 4,	By offerings from Trinity Parish, New Haven, through Rev. Dr. Croswell,	150 00
June 9,	By offerings from Christ Church, Hartford, through J. M. Goodwin, Esq.,	96 21
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		\$1416 74

CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY,

AT THE CONVENTION OF 1842.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Hartford, Christ Church, by Rev. Mr. Burgess, Rector,	\$51 75
Bristol, Trinity Church, { by Rev. Mr. Covell, Rector,	7 50
{ Ladies' Society,	15 00
New Britain, St. Mark's Church, by Rev. Mr. Guion, Rector,	5 00
	<hr/> \$ 79 25

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church, by Rev. Mr. Camp,	. 26 00
Windham, St. Paul's Church, by Rev. Mr. Sher-	
man, late Rector, 06
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NEW LONDON COUNTY.

New London, St. James' Church, Rev. R. A. Hallam, Rector,	25 00
Norwich, Christ Church, by Richard Adams, Esq., delegate,	40 00
Poquetonnuck, St. James' Church, by Rev. D. Pot- ter, Rector,	3 00
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	68 00

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Middletown, Christ Church, by Rev. E. W. Wiltbank, Rector,	20 00
Portland, Trinity Church, by Daniel Russell, Esq., delegate,	25 00
Essexborough, St. John's Church, by Rev. T. H. Vail, Rector,	10 00
North Killingworth, Union Church, by Rev. D. Baldwin, Rector,	1 50
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NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

New Haven, (Westville,) St. James' Church, by Rev. H. Townsend, Rector,	5 00
Guilford, Christ Church, by Rev. L. T. Bennett, Rector,	5 00
North Guilford, St. John's Church, by Rev. D. Bald- win, Rector,	1 00
Branford, Trinity Church, by Mr. E. T. Rodger's delegate,	8 00
North Haven, St. John's Church, by Rev. A. B. Cha- plin, Rector,	5 00— 24 00

Amount carried over, \$253 81

	By amount brought up,	\$253 81
Hamden, Grace Church, by Rev. H. Fitch, Rector,	6 00	
West Haven, Christ Church, by Mr. Anson T. Colt, delegate,	1 50	
Derby, St. James' Church, by Rev. William B. Ashley, Rector,	15 83	
Humphreysville, Union Church, by Rev. John D. Smith, Rector,	5 00	
Waterbury, St. John's Church, by the Rev. J. L. Clark,*	75 00	
Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church, by Rev. O. Hopson, Rector,	5 00	
Middlebury, — — —, by Rev. O. Hopson, to permanent fund,	100 00	
Wolcott, All Saint's Church, Rev. Servilius Stocking, Rector,	6 26	
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FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Fairfield, Trinity Church, by Rev. N. E. Cornwall, Rector,	10 00	
Norwalk, St. Paul's Church, by Rev. Dr. Mead, Rector,	35 00	
Stamford, St. John's Church, by Rev. A. S. Todd, Rector,	20 00	
Wilton, St. Matthew's Church, by Rev. John Purves, Rector,	4 75	
Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church, Rev. W. Hoyt, Rector,	19 65	
Danbury, St. James' Church, } by Rev. T. T. Guion, Rector,	19 13	
" Bethel, St. Thomas' Chapel, }		
Newtown, { Trinity Church, } by Rev. S. S. Stocking, Rector,	15 00	
" { St. James' Church, }		
Brookfield, St. Paul's Church, by Rev. E. C. Bull, late Rector,	17 50	
Huntington, St. Paul's Church, by Rev. Mr. Sterling, Rector,	5 00	
Monroe, St. Peter's Church, by Rev. R. Rossiter, Rector,	4 00	
Trumbull, Christ Church, by Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, Rector,	10 00	
New Canaan, St. Mark's Church, by Rev. D. Ogden, Rector,	5 00	
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LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church, by Rev. William Payne, Rector,†	25 00	
Northfield, Trinity Church, by the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Rector,	5 00	
Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church, by Rev. Mr. Gordon, Rector,†	3 28	33 28

Amount carried up, \$666 71

* To St. Paul's Church, Woodbury, for Rev. Mr. Hitchcock, \$26 93.

	By amount brought forward,	\$666 71
Sharon, Christ Church, by Rev. S. T. Carpenter,		
Rector,†	5 00	
Woodbury, St. Paul's Church, by Rev. S. G.		
Hitchcock, Rector,†	5 00	
Watertown, Christ Church, by Rev. N. S. Richardson,		
Rector, (one half to St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.)	21 15	
Plymouth, St. Peter's Church, Rev. W. Watson,		
Rector,†	50 00	
New Preston, St. Andrew's Church, Rev. Mr. Gordon,		
Rector†	6 75—	87 90
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		\$754 61

CHURCHES FROM WHICH NO RETURNS HAVE BEEN MADE.

<i>Hartford County.</i> —Hartford, (St. John's;) Glastenbury; Simsbury; Granby; East Windsor, (Warehouse Point;) Southington.	6
<i>Windham County.</i> —Canterbury; Pomfret.	2
<i>Tolland County.</i> —Hebron.	1
<i>New London County.</i> —Salem.	1
<i>Middlesex County.</i> —Middle Haddam; East Haddam; Saybrook.	3
<i>New Haven County.</i> —Trinity Parish, New Haven, 2; North Branford; East Haven; Northford; Wallingford; Cheshire; Meriden; Milford; Oxford; Quaker's Farms; Woodbridge; Bethany.	12
<i>Fairfield County.</i> —Stratford; Bridgeport; Weston; Reading; Greenwich; Westport.	6
<i>Litchfield County.</i> —Bradleyville; Milton; Harwinton; New Milford; Kent; Washington; Roxbury; Canaan; Cornwall; Goshen; Hitchcocksville; Salisbury; Bethlehem; Plymouth, (St. Matthew's Church.)	14
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Total,	45

† To be paid the Parish of Kent, of Litchfield County, on condition that the said Parish, through the Rector or otherwise, shall, previous to Easter, 1843, lay before the Bishop evidence that they have raised within the Parish, \$100, and without, the same, \$130, towards the liquidation of the existing debt of the above named Parish.

APPENDIX, NO. III.

CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY.

NEW HAVEN, June 15th, 1842.

The Church Scholarship Society held its annual meeting at St Paul's Chapel, June 15, 1842.

The Report of the Board of Education was read and accepted.

The Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

Samuel Tudor, Esq., and the Rev. Silas Totten, D. D. were appointed a Committee to audit the account of the Treasurer, and make report to the Board of Education.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year, viz:

Board of Education.

REV. SILAS TOTTON, D. D.

REV. ARTHUR C. COX,

THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.

WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.

DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.

ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq.

DENISON MORGAN, Esq.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary.*

JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq., *Treasurer.*

GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary.*

In presenting their Annual Report, the Board of Education would offer a brief statement of the manner in which the funds committed to them are employed, and of the means by which the objects of this association are, as they hope, guarded against abuse or failure.

The Constitution of the Society prescribes, as the mode in which its assistance shall be rendered to students engaged in preparation for the ministry, that of loans without interest till after a reasonable period. This period has been fixed at three years after the graduation of the beneficiary at college. A beneficiary may be assisted at any stage in his study; but it has not been found necessary to make any grants to such as had already received their diplomas, and only in a few instances to such as were still studying at academies, or in private. The grants of the Society never exceed, and they usually reach, the annual sum of eighty dollars.

When an application is made by any student, the Constitution requires that it be sustained by "unequivocal testimonials of piety, promising talents and necessitous circumstances." The applicant is then admitted as a beneficiary by a vote of the Board of Education, who all reside at Hartford, and hold a meeting near the commencement of each college session. At each of these meetings an account is presented, under general heads, of the expenses and receipts of each beneficiary during the preceding session; and with it a testimonial from those officers of the college who have been his immediate instructors, to his diligence in study and his correctness

of conduct. In the acceptance of the accounts and testimonials, which are always examined by a committee, and are laid before the whole Board, the allowance for the term just commenced is voted and recorded.

The principle of aid by loans, and the requisition of the testimonials to the piety, talents and necessities of the student, are determined by the Constitution. In other respects, the mode of administering the business of the Society, is settled by rules which the Board of Education has adopted. The principle of loans, in which this society differs from some of similar design, has now been tested by a long experience. Of the sum of about two thousand and eleven hundred dollars, which has been expended, the sum of about two thousand six hundred dollars has been repaid. In the past year, about five twelfths of the income have been received from former beneficiaries. The good which is thus effected by every donation is, in a great measure, perpetual and accumulative; and few will question that the mode of assistance by loans which are not felt as creating an obligation to repayment where real inability intervenes, is a mode that best accords with a state of society like that in New England; where the student is not often called from a state absolutely without resources; where the clergy so often receive a compensation which, with some care, may enable them to discharge such a debt; and where the frugality that is nourished by such a system will only promote their respectability in the eyes of the people.

It is during the College course that the student can least rely on his own exertions for his partial or entire support, or on the aid of his friends in any more convenient form than that of direct pecuniary supplies. To the College course, for this cause, the grants of the Society have commonly been limited.

The annual sum of eighty dollars, in addition to what the beneficiary may obtain from his family or friends, or from parochial efforts, and to the amount which the College remits from his bills, is almost always sufficient to meet his wants, with strict economy. More than this will not be desired, and has not been attempted.

As the original testimonials of the fitness of the candidate must usually come from parochial clergymen, it is to their conscientious faithfulness that we must look for security against any abuse of the bounty of the Church at the very commencement. Afterwards, the Board of Education hold themselves responsible; and, to prevent the continuance of their aid in any instance to young men of inadequate abilities, or of indolent or extravagant habits, or of tastes and feelings unsuited to a preparation for the holiest duties, the accounts and testimonials for each term are required for examination.

In this manner, and with these means of security for a right appropriation of the funds of the Society, it has, during the last year, assisted seventeen beneficiaries. Of these, six will close their collegiate course at the next commencement. Although the Parishes which have before contributed for this object have generally continued their liberality, and although a larger sum than in most years has been repaid by former beneficiaries, yet, as the expenditures have been larger than ever, a debt of two hundred and fifty dollars has lately been contracted. To extinguish this debt, and sustain the further operations of the Society, the ministers of several other Parishes have been requested to make collections. It is hoped and believed that their confidence in the Society, and their warm regard for its design will be demonstrated by the ready supply of all its necessities.

The Board must, in conclusion, advert to the fact, which appears from the view of the state of the Church, prepared at the late general Convention, that during the three years between 1838 and 1841, the number of ordinations and of candidates for orders were less than between 1835 and 1838. Whatever be the causes, such an effect ought not long to be suffered. There is "a great door open," and the Church, if it have ministers, many, able, educated and faithful, may well look forward to any degree of extension in our country. In supplying such instruments, the Church Scholarship Society has been steadfastly engaged, and not without very happy success; and in the same work, it now asks the continued and united support of the Diocese.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Church Scholarship Society, in account with J. M. Goodwin, Treasurer. Dr.

1841.									
June 10.	To	Cash paid J. M. Goodwin, borrowed of him						\$71	38
April 1.	"	Postage, - - - - -						-	10
	"	do. - - - - -							12
June 1.	"	Paid for Printing, - - - - -						1	50
	"	Loaned to Beneficiaries, - - - - -						1248	00
								\$1321	10
1842.									
June 6.	To	balance of account - - - - -						\$1	50

Per Contra.

1841.									
June 8.	By	Cash St. John's Church, Waterbury, -						\$	76 00
	"	do. St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, -						-	4 96
	"	do. Trinity Church, Branford, -						-	4 96
	"	do. ——— Church, Middlebury, -						-	2 23
	12.	" Interest of Z. H. Mansfield, -						-	9 60
July 3.	"	Rev. D. H. Short, repaid -						-	100 00
	5.	" Donation Miss L. D. -						-	10 00
Aug. 3.	"	Cash Trinity Church, Fairfield, -						-	13 00
	5.	" do. Donation Mrs. Abi Humiston, Northfield, -						-	40 00
Sept. 16.	"	do. St. Peter's, Plymouth, -						-	50 00
	"	do. by a Lady of said Parish, -						-	6 00
Nov. 10.	"	do. I. H. Cornish, repaid, -						-	315 00
	"	do. donation from same, -						-	5 00
Dec. 17.	"	do. Anonymous, from Rev. L. T. Bennett, -						-	10 00

Amount carried forward, \$646 75

By amount brought forward, \$645 75

1842.

Jan.	17.	By Cash	St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,	-	-	8 00
Feb.	11.	"	do. St. John's Church, Waterbury,	-	-	130 00
Mar.	11.	"	do. Z. H. Mansfield, repaid,	-	-	20 00
	16.	"	do. from a Lady of St. Paul's Ch. Brookfield,	25	00	
April	1.	"	do. Ladies' Sewing Society of St. James' Ch. New London, for George Slattery at Cheshire Academy,	}		45 00
	10.	"	do. Christ Church, Hartford,			116 58
	20.	"	do. Young Ladies' So. Trinity Par. N. Haven,			75 00
May	27.	"	do. borrowed of Treasurer,	-	-	253 27
June	6.	"	balance to New Account,	-	-	1 50
						<u>\$1321 10</u>

Errors excepted.

J. M. GOODWIN, *Treasurer.*

. SYNOPSIS OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

	Dr.
Paid borrowed money,	\$71 38
" Expenses,	1 72
" Beneficiaries,	1248 00
	<u>\$1321 10</u>

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Contributions from Parishes and individuals,	621 73
Repaid by beneficiaries	435 00
Interest,	9 60
Borrowed,	253 27
Balance to New Account,	1 50
	<u>\$1321 10</u>

1842.

June 14.	To balance of Account,	-	-	\$1 50
	By Cash	St. James' Church, Waterbury,	-	49 00
15.	"	St. James' Ch. New London, for G. Slattery,	35	00
	"	St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,	-	5 00
	"	Trinity Church, Portland,	-	5 00
	"	Christ Church, Watertown,	-	10 00
	"	St. James' Church, Derby,	-	16 82
	"	Trinity Church, Fairfield,	-	10 25
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APPENDIX, NO. IV.

CONSTITUTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT,

AS AMENDED IN CONVENTION, OCTOBER, 1836, AND JUNE, 1840.

ARTICLE 1. The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ART. 2. There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

ART. 3. Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

ART. 4. The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

ART. 5. The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee, or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

ART. 6. The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in union with this Convention; ministers employed as Missionaries, under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this Diocese, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority; and ministers whose age and infirmities prevent them from

exercising the clerical functions; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese which shall have been received into union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention, by one delegate: and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Wardens, or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide, but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding, or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the next annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and a Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings, subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as agreeably to their own rules, or the canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Convention shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

ART. 11. A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

ART. 12. When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention, within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese,

at least four weeks previous to said meeting; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

ART. 13. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner:—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay Delegates; and if, on such ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice; provided, that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present; otherwise, two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ART. 14. Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

ART. 15. No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by canon.

ART. 16. This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the journals of the Convention.

APPENDIX, NO. V.

CANONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

CANON I.—*Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports. (Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)*

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention, of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages, and funerals, solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, shall be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services, he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

CANON II.—*Providing for the Convention Fund.* (1838.)

The several Parishes in this Diocese shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

CANON III.—*Declaring the offenses for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitution and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offenses for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

CANON IV.—*Of the Manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offense charged, as coming within the offenses enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form:

To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut:

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H. of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeable to the Canons in such cases made and provided. [Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being; five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the Court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment—notice of the time and place of trial—and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defense on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty*, or *not guilty*, according to the evidence; and if guilty, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court; and an attested copy of this record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision: or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may, in his opinion, require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

CANON V.—*Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them. (1826.)*

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offense for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

CANON VI.—*Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee. (1826.)*

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present,—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the Journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

CANON VII.—*Concerning Parochial Collections. (1839.)*

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

CANON VIII.—*For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures.* (1828.)

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergy, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State, which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

CANON IX.—*Concerning Annual Parish Meetings.* (1830.)

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting; which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

CANON X.—(1838.)

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence, to the Bishop.

CANON XI.—*Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitutions and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

CANON XII.—*Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen.* (1839.)

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

APPENDIX, NO. VI.

AN ACT RELATING TO RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES AND CONGREGATIONS.

[REPRINTED FROM THE STATUTE LAWS OF CONNECTICUT.]

(General rights and powers of societies for religious worship.)

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Assembly convened,* That all societies and congregations, instituted for public religious worship, which have been incorporated by law, in local limits, or otherwise, or formed by voluntary association, shall hold, possess and enjoy, all real and personal property, all public buildings and funds belonging to such societies and congregations, appropriated to the use and support of public worship; and shall have power to take care of, manage and apply the same to such purpose; and shall be capable hereafter to receive any grants or donations, and, by voluntary agreement, to establish funds for the same object.*

(How any person may become a member of any religious society.)

SECT. 2. Whenever any person shall desire to join any religious society or congregation, which has been, or shall be, incorporated by law, or has been, or shall be, formed, by voluntary association, he may lodge with the clerk of the same, or if there be no clerk, with any other officer thereof, a written declaration, subscribed by himself, expressing his desire and intention of becoming a member of such society or congregation, and thereupon he shall become a member thereof, entitled to all the privileges, and liable to all the duties of a member, unless a majority shall, at their next lawful meeting, manifest their dissent thereto.†

(Annual Meeting.—Notice how given.)

SECT. 3. The members of the several religious societies and congregations, may annually meet, some time in the month of December, or at any other time they shall judge convenient, at the usual place of holding meetings, or at such place as they shall establish, upon warning and notice given, at least five days before such meeting, by the committee of the society or congregation, or if there be no committee, by the clerk, and if there be no clerk, by a warrant from a justice of the peace, upon application of five or more members of the society or congregation.‡

* Kirby, 46. † 6 C. R. 226. 3 C. R. 40. ‡ 4 D. 62. 10 C. R. 200.

(Clerk.—Committee.—Their duties and powers.—Treasurer.)

SECT. 4. And the members of such societies and congregations, being lawfully assembled, shall have power, at their annual meetings, to appoint a clerk, who shall take the oath provided by law, and shall make entries of all the votes and proceedings of the society or congregation, a copy of which, attested by him, shall be legal evidence in all courts; and he shall continue in office till another be chosen and sworn in his room; also, to appoint three or more of their members to be a committee, to order the affairs of the society, for the year ensuing, who shall adjust and settle all the claims on the society or congregation, and draw orders on the treasurer for the payment of the same; and to appoint a treasurer, who shall receive all the money belonging to the society or congregation, and pay over the same to the order of the society or congregation, and render his account therefor, when required.

(Powers of religious societies in lawful meetings.)

SECT. 5. The members of religious societies and congregations, shall have power to hold meetings, when their concerns render it necessary, and may adjourn the same from time to time; and in their lawful meetings, shall have power by a major vote, to settle ministers, according to the usage of the denomination of christians to which they belong; to repair their meeting-houses; to make such regulations for the support of religious worship as they may think proper; to establish the times and places of holding their meetings, and the mode of warning them; and to appoint committees, or agents, to carry into effect the votes and orders of the society or congregation, as may be necessary.

(How place of erecting meeting-house shall be established.)

SECT. 6. Any society or congregation may, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, agree to build a new meeting house, and to establish the place where it shall be erected; or, if they judge it expedient, may apply to the county court in the county where such society or congregation is situated, to establish the place, and such county court, after hearing all parties concerned, may appoint and fix the place where such meeting-house shall be erected; and it shall not then be lawful to erect it in any other place.

(Power of Taxation.—Collectors.—Committee to make out rate bill.—Warrant.—Collection of tax.—Distress against negligent collectors.)

SECT. 7. All societies and congregations of christians may, by a major vote of the members present, in a lawful meeting, lay a tax on the members of such society only, to build and repair meeting-houses, to provide for the annual support of the gospel ministry, and to defray any other expense necessarily incurred in the proper business of such society or congregation; and to appoint a collector or collectors, to collect the same; and every collector, who shall refuse to serve, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars to the treasury of the society or congregation, to be recovered by action brought in the name of the treasurer. And it shall be the duty of the committee of such society or congregation, to make out a rate-bill against the members, containing the proportion of tax for each member to pay, according to the assessment list of the state, completed next previously to the laying of the tax, and shall apply to a justice of the peace in the town or county for a warrant, directed to the collector or collectors, appointed to collect such tax, authorizing and requir-

ing him or them to levy and collect the same; which warrant such justice of the peace is empowered and required to grant. And it shall be the duty of such collector or collectors, to collect such tax, and pay over the same to the treasurer of the society or congregation; and if he or they shall fail or neglect to collect it, by the time appointed, then the committee of the society or congregation, shall take out a distress, signed by a justice of the peace, who is hereby empowered to grant the same, against such negligent collector or collectors, directed to the sheriff of the county, or constable of the town, commanding him to collect such part of the tax as remains due and unpaid from said collector or collectors, and to pay it over to the treasurer of such society or congregation.*

(Right of voting.—Penalty of voting without right.)

SECT. 8. The lawful members of each society or congregation, of the age of twenty-one years, shall have a right to vote in the meetings of the same; and if any person, not a member of the society or congregation, shall intermeddle or vote in any meeting thereof, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars and fifty cents, for every such offence, one half to the complainant who shall prosecute the same to effect, and the other half to the treasury of the society or congregation where the offence is committed.†

(Power to provide for support of public worship.)

SECT. 9. Every society or congregation shall have power to provide for the support of public worship, by the rent or sale of the pews or slips in the meeting-house, by the establishment of funds, or in any other mode they may judge expedient.

(Vacancies, how supplied.)

SECT. 10. Upon the refusal, death or removal of any officer of a society or congregation, a meeting may be called in the manner prescribed by law, and the vacant place be supplied by a new choice.

(Estate given for the support of the ministry, may be held and managed by a committee of the society.)

SECT. 11. When there are any lands, money, or other estate, granted, given or sequestered, according to ancient custom, usage or practice, or shall be hereafter, given, granted or sequestered for the use and support of the ministry, in any society or congregation in the state, then a committee appointed by such society or congregation, (which committee they are empowered to appoint) shall have power to demand, recover and receive, and take care of all such lands, money or estate, for the use of the ministry, according to the true intent of such grants, donations and sequestrations, and shall be accountable for the profit and interest thereof to such society or congregation; and the committee aforesaid, or the major part of them, may make all necessary contracts, and commence and prosecute to final judgment, any suit or suits, which may be necessary for the purpose aforesaid. And such committee as shall, from time to time, come in the room of others, removed by death or otherwise, shall have the same power to enforce any contracts, and to commence and prosecute any suit for the matters aforesaid, as fully as those whom they succeeded in office could have done, if not removed.‡

* 1 R. 325, 330. † 11 C. R. 98.

‡ 3 D. 450. 6 C. R. 226. 1 R. 440.

(In what case part of a society shall have the power of a society.)

SECT. 12. When any society is constituted of two or more adjoining towns, so that part of the society in any such towns have distinct interests in any grants, donations or sequestrations for the support of the ministry, then such part of the society shall have the same power, and authority to manage the same, as is hereby given to societies; and may, in the same manner, warn meetings of such part of a society; may appoint a clerk, who shall be sworn in the same manner; and shall have the same power, and may appoint a committee to manage and take care of the interests aforesaid, with the same power and authority as is given to the committees of societies, who shall be accountable for the rents and profits of the same, in the same manner.

(Christians not belonging to any society, may form themselves into a society.)

SECT. 13. Christians of every denomination, not belonging to any particular society or congregation, shall have power to unite and form societies or congregations, in such manner as they may think proper; and when so associated, such societies or congregations shall have all the rights, powers and privileges, given by this act to religious societies and congregations.

IN ADDITION, PASSED 1828.

(Taxes on what list assessed, and when payable.)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened, That the several ecclesiastical societies in this state are empowered, at their annual meetings for the choice of society officers, to grant taxes on the assessment list which shall next thereafter be completed by the assessors and board of relief; which taxes shall be payable within one year after the same are granted, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

IN ADDITION, PASSED 1842.

Whereas doubts have arisen in the minds of some, whether the Episcopal Societies in this State have been legally organized.

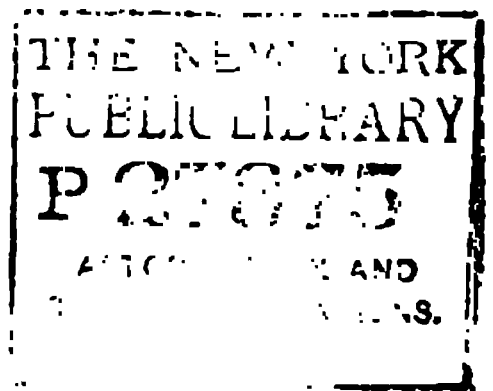
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened, That the acts which have been done by Ecclesiastical Societies of this State, organized under the Episcopal order according to the rules and customs of said societies shall be good and effectual in law. And that the Wardens and Vestrymen of said Societies shall hereafter be a Society's Committee, and shall have all the powers, in managing the affairs of said Societies, as are granted to the Committees of all religious Societies in this State by the Statutes in such case made and provided.



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HARTFORD, Tuesday, June 13, 1843.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, for the Annual Convention of the same, the Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D. D. LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in Christ Church, in this city, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. E. E. Beardsley, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D.; and a Charge to the Clergy was delivered by the Bishop.

The Bishop was assisted in the administration of the Communion by the Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. Messrs. Todd, Burgess, and Beardsley.

The services being concluded, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, was then called over by the Secretary, and the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members:

Rt. Rev. THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D.

Rev. Wm. B. Ashley,
" David Baldwin,
" E. Edwards Beardsley,
" Lorenzo T. Bennett,
" Hilliard Bryant,
" E. C. Bull,
" George Burgess,
" A. Burgess,
" Daniel Burhans, D. D.
" Samuel T. Carpenter,
" Alonzo B. Chapin,
" Jacob L. Clark,
" Gurdon S. Coit,
" Joseph S. Covell,
" N. E. Cornwall,
" A. C. Coxe,
" John T. Cushing,
" Samuel M. Emery,
" C. W. Everest,
" Henry Fitch,
" Geo. L. Foote,
" Alpheus Geer,

Rev. Jno. M. Guion,
" T. T. Guion,
" Robert A. Hallam,
" Solomon G. Hitchcock,
" Frederick Holcomb, D. D.
" Oliver Hopson,
" Warner Hoyt,
" Enoch Huntington,
" E. J. Ives,
" Stephen Jewett,
" Paschal P. Kidder,
" Wm. C. Mead, D. D.
" A. A. Miller,
" F. Miller, jr.
" Wm. F. Morgan,
" S. Nash,
" Joseph H. Nichols,
" Abel Nichols,
" D. Ogden,
" Seth B. Paddock,
" William Payne,
" Dexter Potter,

Rev. E. M. Porter,
 " John Purves,
 " Nathaniel S. Richardson,
 " Rodney Rossitter,
 " Joseph Scott,
 " John D. Smith,
 " Servilius Stocking,
 " Sabura S. Stocking,
 " A. S. Todd,
 " Silas Totten, D. D.

Rev. Henry Townsend,
 " Isaac H. Tuttle,
 " Thos. H. Vail,
 " William Warland,
 " Wm. Watson,
 " Ferdinand E. White,
 " Frederick B. Woodward,
 " Benjamin M. Yarrington,
 " Henry Zell.

The Rev. Messrs. Huntington, Bennett and Beardsley were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the testimonials of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then adjourned to meet in Christ Church, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, 3 o'clock P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Roll of the Clergy was called over, when the Committee appointed to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates, reported that the following persons were entitled to seats according to the Constitution.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Christ Church,	Hartford,	{	Wm. H. Imlay,
St. John's do.	do.		Samuel H. Huntington.
St. Luke's do.	Glastenbury,		Zephaniah Preston,
St. Andrew's do.	Simsbury,	{	Walter Phelps.
St. Peter's do.	Granby,		Samuel Taylor,
St. John's do.	Warehouse Point,		Obed Andrews.
Trinity do.	Bristol,		Bezaleel Sexton.
St. Mark's do.	New Britain,		Harry Thompson.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Trinity Church,	Brooklyn,
Christ do.	Pomfret.
St. Paul's do.	Windham,

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Christ Church,	Middletown,	{	Samuel Cooper,
Trinity do.	Portland,		Charles R. Alsop.
Christ do.	Middle Haddam,		*Daniel Russell,
St. Stephen's do.	East Haddam,	{	Geo. O. Jarvis.
St. John's do.	Essex,		Jeremiah H. Taylor.
Grace do.	Saybrook,		*Halsey Hubbard.
Union do.	North Killingworth,	{	Chevers Brainerd,
			*Joseph Goodspeed.
			*Amos Scovill.
			*U. S. Hayden.

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

St. James' Church,	New London,	{	J. C. Sistare,
Christ do.	Norwich,		Francis Allyn.
St. James' do.	Preston, (Poquetonnuck)		John G. Huntington.
Christ do.	Salem,		Joel W. White.

NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

Trinity Parish,	New Haven,	{	Wm. H. Ellis,
St. James' Church,	Westville,		*Wm. Moseley,
Christ do.	Guilford,		Wm. E. Vibbert,
St. John's do.	North Guilford,		Chas. Hooker.
Trinity do.	Branford,	{	Grant Smith,
Zion do.	North Branford,		*Eli F. Rogers.
Christ do.	East Haven,		
St. John's do.	North Haven,		
St. Andrew's do.	Northford,		
St. Paul's do.	Wallingford,		
St. Peter's do.	Cheshire,	{	Elam Cooke,
St. Andrew's do.	Meriden,		Chas. Shelton,
Grace do.	Hamden.		*Alman Andrewa.
Christ do.	West Haven,		Sidney P. Hall.
St. George's do.	Milford,	{	*Jesse Tuttle, jr.
S. James' do.	Derby,		John G. Smith.
Union do.	Humphreysville,		
St. Peter's do.	Oxford,		*Andrew French.
Christ do.	Quaker's Farms,	{	Philo Bassett,
St. John's do.	Waterbury,		Edward N. Shelton.
St. Michael's do.	Naugatuck,		*Bernard Humphreys.
Trinity do.	Woodbridge,		Judson Candee,
Christ do.	Bethany,	{	*Geo. A. Tomlinson.
All Saints' do.	Wolcott,		Arad W. Welton,
			J. M. L. Scovill,
			Daniel C. Auger.
			Moses Pond.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Christ Church,	Stratford,	{	*Asa Curtiss,
St. John's do.	Bridgeport,		Lewis Henry Russell.
Trinity do.	Fairfield,		Walter Bulkley.
St. Paul's do.	Norwalk,	{	Thos. F. Peck,
St. John's do.	Stamford,		T. T. Merwin.
St. Matthew's do.	Wilton,		Wm. Welles Holley.
St. Stephen's do.	Ridgefield,		
St. James' and	Danbury,		
St. Thomas' Chapel,	Reading,		
Christ Church,	Newtown,	{	Henry Beers,
Trinity do.			Charles W. Wooster.

St. Mark's Church,	New Britain,	J. H. Todd.
St. Michael's do.	Naugatuck,	{ Pernet S. Stephens,
St. John's do.	Bridgeport,	{ Clark W. Warner.
St. James' do. and	{ Danbury,	{ H. K. Harral.
St. Thomas' Chapel.		{ S. F. Hurd.
		{ Platt Benedict,
		{ Zechariah Clark.

The Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY was unanimously re-elected Secretary.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That the Secretary appoint, from the members present, any one he may choose to be his Assistant.

Accordingly he announced T. T. MERWIN, Esq., of Norwalk, as ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the rules of the present Convention.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.
6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.
7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the house, or read any book.
8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.
9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.
10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except for adjournment.
11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.
12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

The following was adopted as an additional Rule:

"Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz.

- A Committee on the Admission of new Parishes.
do. on the Constitution and Canons.
do. on Unfinished Business.
do. on Finance."

The Chair announced the following persons as the Committee on new Parishes: Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Rev. Mr. Jewett, Rev. Mr. Scott, Joel Foot, Esq. and Hon. Samuel H. Huntington.

Several documents were then presented in relation to the admission of new Parishes, which, on motion, were referred, without reading, to the foregoing committee.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. Mr. Paddock, Rev. Mr. Clark, Wm. H. Ellis, and T. T. Merwin, Esq., were appointed the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

On motion, *Resolved*, That one thousand copies of the Bishop's Charge be printed in a tract form.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy, on some suitable opportunity after the publication of the Charge delivered this day, to read the same to their respective congregations.

The Rev. Messrs. Coit and Baldwin, Wm. H. Ellis, Bezaleel Sexton, and J. W. White, Esqrs., were appointed the Committee on Finance.

Rev. Messrs. Cornwall and Payne, C. Brainerd, Jesse Ives, and Dr. Geo. O. Jarvis, the Committee on Unfinished Business.

The Rev. Mr. Huntington was appointed to receive the sums due from the several Parishes, on the Assessment for making up the deficiency in the Bishop's salary.

The Bishop then delivered his annual Address, agreeably to the VIIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1841.

A D D R E S S .

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND THE LAITY:—

Pursuant to the provisions of the VIIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1841, it now becomes my duty to lay before you a statement of my official acts, and of the affairs of the Diocese, since the last meeting of our Convention.

In performing this duty, I must not refrain from the expression of my fervent gratitude to Almighty God for the measure of health and strength which he has vouchsafed to me, through the past year, and for the abundant mercies which he has extended to this portion of his vineyard.

Since our last meeting, I have been enabled to visit nearly all the Parishes of the Diocese. And though Confirmations have been held in less than fifty of them, more than twice the usual number of candidates have been confirmed. Where the candidates had not previously partaken of the Lord's Supper, they were, in almost every instance, immediately to be admitted to that Holy Sacrament. An unusual number have been confirmed who had previously been communicants, or had been educated in other denominations of Christians. The following is a list of the Parishes in which Confirmations have been held, with the number confirmed in each Parish, viz.

Derby, (two Confirmations)	66	Monroe,	4
Huntington, (twice)	40	Zoar, (Newtown)	8

Southport, (twice)	29	Woodbury,	14
Westport,	14	Bethlem,	4
Wilton,	19	Hartford, (St. John's—twice)	64
New Canaan,	9	Waterbury,	47
Greenwich,	5	Naugatuck,	25
Ridgefield,	11	Middletown,	13
Bridgeport, (twice)	99	Stamford,	18
Stratford, (twice)	16	Wallingford,	28
Simsbury,	10	Meriden,	20
Bristol, (twice)	20	Milford,	7
Plymouth, (St. Matthew's)	10	Warehouse Point,	8
Harwinton,	21	Plymouth, (St. Peter's)	28
Northfield,	20	Wolcott,	8
Litchfield, (twice)	34	Milton,	17
New Preston,	10	Watertown,	12
New Milford,	8	Hartford, (Christ Church)	35
Brookfield,	6	Glastenbury,	13
Danbury,	12	Westville,	12
Reading,	16	New Haven,	111
Newtown,	30	Bethany,	34
Bridgewater,	21	Windsor,	18
Roxbury,	9		
		In all,	1083

The following Clergymen have been admitted to the Holy Order of Priests, since the last annual Convention, viz.

On the 25th of September Rev. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, in St. John's Church, Hartford.

On the 28th of September, the Rev. John T. Cushing, and the Rev. Frederic Miller, in St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.

On the 14th of October, the Rev. John H. Hanson, in St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.

On the 20th of October, the Rev. Thomas T. Guion, in St. James' Church, Danbury.

On the 21st of October, the Rev. William Atwill, and the Rev. George W. Nichols, in Christ Church, Reading.

On the 30th of November, the Rev. George H. Nichols, in St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.

On the 17th of May, the Rev. Charles W. Everest, in Christ Church, Hartford.

Within the same period, the following persons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz.

On the 10th of July, Augustus W. Hanson, a man of color, in Christ Church, Hartford.

On the 11th of April, William G. French, in St. James' Church, Derby

On the 4th of June, Henry DeKoven, in Christ Church, Middletown.

The following persons are now candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz.

Giles Deshon, Benjamin G. Whitman, Isaac G. Hubbard, Henry D. Noble, James G. Blair, William H. Frisbie, James Bradin, Junius M. Willey, Thomas M. Peters, William H. Clark, Charles R. Fisher, Chas. H. Hall, George J. Geer, and Henry O. Msted. Jonathan Coe has recently been transferred to the Diocese of Massachusetts, and Abram Warner to that of Illinois. Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, a licentiate of the Congregational denomination has been received as a candidate for Holy Orders and subsequently transferred to the Diocese of Maryland.

The following Clergyman have been received, with letters dimissory from other Dioceses, since the last meeting of the Convention, viz.

Rev. Alfred A. Miller, from Pennsylvania; Rev. John H. Hanson and Rev. Henry Zell, from New Jersey; the Rev. Edward C. Bull and the Rev. George W. Nichols, from the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Emery M. Porter and the Rev. Ferdinand E. White, from the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. Alexander Burgess, from the Diocese of Rhode Island; and the Rev. Richard A. Adams, with a dimissory letter from Bishop Kemper.

The Rev. Caleb I. Good, and the Rev. Charles J. Todd, have departed from this Diocese, with letters dimissory, the former to Pennsylvania, and the latter to Western New York.

The following changes have taken place in the location of the Clergy since our last meeting, viz.

The Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin has retired from the Parish of North Haven; that Parish having been united with Northford, to form a Cure, under the Rectorship of the Rev. Henry Fitch. The Rev. Charles W. Everest has accepted the charge of the Parish of Hamden. The Rev. John H. Hanson has retired from the charge of St. Matthew's, East Plymouth. The Rev. David Ogden has so far recovered his health as to resume the charge of the Parish of New Canaan; the Rev. George W. Nichols having retired from the same. The Rev. Thomas G. Salter has retired from East Haddam, on account of ill health, and has been succeeded in that Parish by the Rev. Alexander Burgess, from the Diocese of Rhode Island. The Rev. Robert Shaw has retired from the charge of the Parish of Northford. The Rev. Henry B. Sherman has resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Windham. The Rev. Servilius Stocking has removed from Wolcott to East Plymouth. The Rev. David G. Tomlinson has resigned the Rectorship of the Church in Trumbull, on account of ill health. The Rev. Henry Townsend has resigned the charge of the Parish of East Haven, and taken charge of a new congregation in Woodbridge in connection with the Parish of Westville. The Rev. Edwin W. Wiltbank has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church Middletown. The Rev. Henry Zell has taken charge of a cure composed of the Parishes of Harwinton and Wolcottville. The Rev. Ferdinand E. White has taken charge of the Parish of East Haven, in connection with that of Milford; and the Rev. E. M. Porter has accepted the Rectorship of Milton and Bradleyville.

On the 2d day of October, the Rev. Arthur Cleveland Coxe was duly Instituted into the Rectorship of St. John's Church, in the city of Hartford.

David E. Devens, late a Presbyter of this Diocese, having by letter declared to me his renunciation of the Ministry, and his design not to officiate in future in any of the Offices thereof,—I have, pursuant to the provisions of the 38th Canon of the General Convention, deposed the said David E. Devens from his grade in the Ministry, and made due record of the same.

St. James' Church Zoar, in the town of Newtown, having been neatly finished and fitted for public worship, was duly consecrated on the 13th of September last.

On the 20th of September, I consecrated a beautiful new edifice at Ridgefield, by the name of St. Stephen's Church.

On the 11th of April, I consecrated a stable and spacious granite Church, at Derby, by the name of St. James' Church.

On the 19th of April, I consecrated the new and beautiful Church of St. John's, in the Parish of Stamford. This Church is spacious in its dimensions, arranged with good taste in all its parts, and is one of the finest samples of the Gothic style which the Diocese affords.

Brethren, having addressed you at so great length this morning, on the general concerns of the Church, I will not at the present time detain you any longer from the regular business of the Convention.

Commending to your anxious care the religious interests of every part of the Diocese, and especially the literary and religious Institutions which have been established in it, I can only unite with you in supplicating the Divine blessing on our present labors, and on the portion of the Church committed to our charge.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL.

Hartford, June 13, 1843.

The Treasurer of the Convention presented his annual Report, which upon his own motion was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, *Resolved*, That visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Clergymen of our own, not canonically entitled to seats, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The following clergymen were present under this resolution:

The Rev. John Morgan, Henry B. Sherman, Henry De Koven, from the Diocese of Connecticut; Rev. N. Sayre Harris, Secretary and Gen. Agent of Domestic Missions; Rev. G W. Nichols, New York.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a Committee of one from a County be appointed to take into consideration the practicability and expediency of some plan for supplying the spiritual wants of those members of our Communion, and persons desirous to become such, who reside without the canonical limits of any organized Parish; and that this Committee be instructed to make report during the session of the Convention.

The Rev. Messrs. Burgess, Hallam, Geer, Bennett, Vail, Hoyt, Richardson, and Camp, were appointed.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, agreeably to a resolution previously passed to that effect, reported a verbal alteration in the 1st Canon, substituting the word *may* for *shall*; and thus making it optional whether the Parochial Reports are read in the Convention, or merely presented to the Bishop, and entered on the Journal.

The Report was accepted and the alteration made.

The Committee on Unfinished Business, made a Report, which at the suggestion of the Chairman, was laid on the table.

The Committee on the admission of new Parishes, presented a partial report in favor of admitting into union with this Convention,

St. James' Church, Hartford, West Society,

St. James' Church, Fair Haven,

Trinity Church, Woodbridge,

Trinity Church, Wolcottville,

St. Gabriel's Church, Windsor,

and Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.

The Report was accepted, the Parishes admitted, and the following Lay-Delegates declared entitled to seats:

Morgan Goodwin, St. James' Church, Hartford,

B. H. Morse, Trinity Church, Wolcottville,

George P. Thomas, St. James Church, Fair Haven,
Fitch Bissell, St. Gabriel's Church, Windsor,
and Mr. Cook, Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam, appeared and answered to his name.

Adjourned till 8 o'clock to morrow morning.

Christ Church, Wednesday morning, 8 o'clock.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayers were read by the Rev. E. C. Bull, and the Lessons by the Rev. William Atwill, after which the roll of the clergy and laity was called, and the minutes of the preceding day read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rev. George H. Nichols, and Rev. George A. Sterling, appeared and took their seats.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the name of *Ilhiet Hickox*, Lay Delegate from St. John's Church, Washington, be added to the Roll.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary of the Standing Committee, read an Abstract of their proceedings for the past year, which is entered on the Journal agreeably to the provisions of the VIth Canon.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Convention of 1842 to the Convention of 1843.

There have been, during the past year, six meetings of the Standing Committee.

1. The first meeting was held, according to the ninth article of the Constitution, on the day in which the standing committee were elected, June 15th, 1842. The Rev. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary. Canonical testimonials being presented in behalf of Augustus William Hanson, he was recommended to the Bishop for Deacon's orders, with dispensation as to time, in consideration of his progress in Theological studies before he became a candidate for holy orders, and of his destination to missionary labors in Africa. James G. Jacocks was recommended as a beneficiary of the Cheshire Academy.

2. The second meeting took place at Hartford, on Wednesday, August 3d, and by adjournment, on Thursday, August 4th, 1842. Present all the members. Canonical testimonials being presented in behalf of the Rev. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, the Rev. John T. Cushing and the Rev. Frederick Miller, Deacons, they were severally recommended to the Bishop to be ordered priests. The Standing Committee then proceeded to sign the canonical testimonials of their assent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Johns of Maryland, as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia. Charles H. Hall, Charles R. Fisher and Abram Warner, were severally recommended as candidates for Holy Orders.

3. The third meeting was held at Cheshire, September 23th, 1842. Present Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rev. Dr. Holcomb, and the Secretary. George Jarvis Geer and Henry Olmsted, Jr., were recommended as candidates for holy orders; and the Rev. William Atwill, the Rev. John Holloway Hanson, the Rev. George W. Nichols, and the Rev. Thomas Tompkins Guion, Deacons, were severally recommended to be ordered Priests.

4. The fourth meeting took place at New Haven, November 18th, 1842. The Secretary not being able to attend, and the members present being the Rev. Drs. Croswell and Mead, and the Rev. George Burgess, the latter was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. William G. French, a candidate for Holy Orders, was recommended to the Bishop to be admitted Deacon, and the Rev. George Huntington Nichols, Deacon, was recommended to be ordered Priest. The Standing Committee then proceeded to sign the testimonials required by the Canon, of their assent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Eastburn, as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

5. The fifth meeting appointed at Stamford, April 19th, 1843, was djourned for want of a quorum, to Hartford, and was there held in the month of May following. Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, a licensed minister of the Congregational denomination, was recommended to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders; William Henry Frisbie and Henry Dekoven were severally recommended for Deacons' orders; and the Rev. Charles William Everest, Deacon, to be ordered Priest. The Standing Committee then proceeded to sign the testimonials of their assent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, Bishop elect of the Diocese of Rhode Island.

6. The sixth meeting was held at Hartford, on Monday evening, June 12th, 1843. In obedience to the eleventh Canon of the Diocese, providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in Convention, the Standing Committee proceeded, in conference with the Bishop, to prepare a list as aforesaid, and then adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Secretary*.

HARTFORD, June 12th, 1843.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, as Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, made a Report which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Dr. George O. Jarvis was appointed to assist Dr. Jarvis in receiving the money for the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

The Rev. Mr. Bennett, from the Committee appointed at the last Convention to "ascertain the condition of the Bishop's Fund, &c.," reported that they had received a minute statement from the Treasurer of that Fund, which they begged leave to offer as their Report. Agreeably to the pleasure of the Convention, the Report, with the accompanying Documents, was read by the Secretary.

Whereupon, *Resolved*, That the statement of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, made to the Committee appointed at the last Convention to "ascertain the condition of the Bishop's Fund, &c.," be entered on the Journal of the proceedings of this Convention, with the exception of that part which relates to the Bishop's private affairs.

STATEMENT, &c.

To Messrs. Samuel Tudor, William T. Lee, and Rev. L. T. Bennett, a Committee appointed by the last Annual Convention of our Church, "to ascertain the condition of the Bishop's Fund, the amount annually received from the same and paid to the Bishop, the amount received by the Bishop on the assessments of the Parishes, with the amount due on said assessments, and report to the next Annual Convention":

The undersigned, being the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, begs leave to communicate to the Committee just named, the following, in answer to the desire expressed by the last Convention for information—as to the present state of the Bishop's Fund—the amounts which have been annually paid the Bishop on account of the salary voted by the Convention for the maintenance of his family, distinguishing between the sums derived from the Fund, and from the Parish assessments since they were commenced—and the amount still remaining due to the Bishop, on account of the insufficiency of the Fund, for the first fifteen years particularly, to pay the salary the Convention had voted.

1st. The amount, at the present time, of the Bishop's Fund, estimating the bank stocks at their par value, is \$24 075 89

On this, the lawful interest would be, 1.444 55

2d. The amounts which have been paid the Bishop yearly, on account of the salary due him, will be found in a statement accompanying this, marked A. In this, the amounts received by the Bishop from collections made from the Parishes in the Diocese, in pursuance of the vote of the Convention, June 7, 1832, are noted separately.

3d. The statement marked B contains an account for each year since Bishop Brownell took charge of the Diocese, of the deficiency in the annual payments towards his salary, all of which occurred during the *first* fifteen years of the Bishop's residence with us,—together with the sums paid him beyond his salary, which over payments have taken place chiefly since the *last* eight years, when the collections from the parishes have become fully productive.

On taking charge of the Diocese, the Convention appointed the Bishop's salary to be fifteen hundred dollars a year. And when the Bishop resigned the Presidency of Washington College by request of the Convention, in 1831, that "this Diocese should have the benefit of the undivided labors of its Diocesan," that Convention voted that the Bishop's salary thereafter, should be eighteen hundred dollars a year. By this last statement, it will be perceived, the Diocese yet owes the Bishop the sum of \$4,427 86

including the balance of interest, which has been computed on both sides of the account. On these statements it may be proper to make a few remarks.

When the Bishop accepted the Episcopate of this Diocese, in 1819, the income of the Fund was far from sufficient to pay the sum voted by the Convention for the Bishop's salary. The Trustees of the Fund could, of course, pay nothing beyond the income. For many years, therefore, there was a considerable annual deficiency in the amount the Bishop ought to have received. This deficiency was still further increased by the failure of the Eagle Bank of New Haven, in the fall of 1825, in which Bank \$5500 of the Fund had been invested, and by the dividends in other banks having been reduced, for some years, in consequence. From these causes, the Diocese, then, became greatly in arrears to the Bishop. After the inconveniences arising from this circumstance had been endured for several years, the attempt to remedy them was made by the annual contributions of the Parishes, in pursuance of the vote of the Convention of June, 1832. In the course of a few years, the collection of these operated kindly and successfully, and, for the last eight years, the Trustees of the Fund have been enabled to pay the Bishop, by the income of the Fund and the Parish contributions united, more than the annual amount of his salary,—thus making him some amends for the deprivations of the preceding years. If this beneficial system, now in the course of successful operation, can be continued some years longer, it will enable the Diocese

to discharge gradually its debt to the Bishop, which the Convention must regard as a sacred debt.

It is proper further to remark, that the Trustees of the Fund have entertained doubts of the propriety of paying the Bishop a greater sum in a year, than the simple interest on the amount of the Fund, which, as before stated, would be

\$1,444

with the view of leaving the excess, when there was any, to augment the principal of the Fund, by accumulation. The two last years, it will be perceived by the statement, they have paid the Bishop each year,

\$1,756

the ability to make this liberal payment arising chiefly from extra dividends from the Hartford Bank, which has paid nine per cent. a year for both these years. A desire to pay the debt to the Bishop, which they have long deeply felt, prevailed over other considerations. Yet, as bank-dividends must be fluctuating, from the nature of the business of these institutions, and the extra dividends from the Hartford Bank cannot be continued, at least for the present, the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund have long thought it was expedient that the amount of the Fund should be increased, and that it ought, sometime, to be made up to the sum of thirty thousand dollars, which, at legal interest, would yield the amount of the salary we pay the Bishop. To accomplish such a result, so desirable and important to the interests of our Church, deserves the consideration of the Convention, in some measures which shall permit the gradual increase of the Fund.

From the force of all these considerations, it has appeared to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund not only desirable but necessary, that the annual contributions of the parishes, as recommended and voted by the Convention on the 7th of June, 1832, be continued at least until the debt to the Bishop be paid.

Respectfully submitted by

CHARLES SIGOURNEY,

Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund.

HARTFORD, Conn., June 9, 1843.

A

STATEMENT

Showing the amount received by the Bishop on account of his salary, being \$1,500 a year, from October 27, 1819, the date of his consecration, to the end of the year 1831, and \$1,800 a year thereafter.

From 27 Oct. 1819 to 1 Jan. 1821,	- - - - -	\$1,193
" 1 Jan. 1821 " 1 Jan. 1822,	- - - - -	1,166
" 1 Jan. 1822 " 1 Jan. 1823,	- - - - -	1,185
" 1 Jan. 1823 " 1 Jan. 1824,	- - - - -	1,311 64
" 1 Jan. 1824 " 1 Jan. 1825,	- - - - -	1,609 18
" 1 Jan. 1825 " 1 Jan. 1826,	} this year Eagle Bank failed, These 3 years dividends at the Hartford Bank reduced to 4 per cent. a yr.	1,076 29
" 1 Jan. 1826 " 1 Jan. 1827,		882
" 1 Jan. 1827 " 1 Jan. 1828,		1,109 54
" 1 Jan. 1828 " 1 Jan. 1829,	- - - - -	1,552 93
" 1 Jan. 1829 " 1 Jan. 1830,	- - - - -	972
" 1 Jan. 1830 " 1 Jan. 1831,	- - - - -	852
" 1 Jan. 1831 " 1 Jan. 1832,	- - - - -	1,724 39
" 1 Jan. 1832 " 1 Jan. 1833,	- - - - -	1,361 41
Parish collections,		200
		<hr/> 1,561 41

"	1 Jan. 1833	"	1 Jan. 1834,	-	-	-	1,349 08	
				Parish collections,			288 25	
								1,617 33
"	1 Jan. 1834	"	1 Jan. 1835,	-	-	-	1,405 58	
				Parish collections,			200	
								1,605 58
"	1 Jan. 1835	"	1 Jan. 1836,	-	-	-	1,578 58	
				Parish collections,			542 62	
								2,121 20
"	1 Jan. 1836	"	1 Jan. 1837,	-	-	-	2,012 58	
				Parish collections,			414 39	
								2,426 97
"	1 Jan. 1837	"	1 Jan. 1838,	-	-	-	1,354	
				Parish collections,			497 09	
								1,851 09
"	1 Jan. 1838	"	1 Jan. 1839,	-	-	-	1,776	
				Parish collections,			580 37	
								2,356 37
"	1 Jan. 1839	"	1 Jan. 1840,	-	-	-	1,659	
				Parish collections,			584 87	
								2,243 87
"	1 Jan. 1840	"	1 Jan. 1841,	-	-	-	1,556	
				Parish collections,			551 37	
								2,107 37
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Errors excepted.
HARTFORD, Conn., June 9, 1843.

CHARLES SIGOURNEY,
Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund.

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The Diocese of Connecticut, in account current with Bishop Brownell.

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Jan. 1, 1841.		For amount short paid by the Diocese to the Bishop on his salary of \$1500 a year, as engaged by the Convention's Committee, on the 24th of June, 1819,—from the 27th of Oct. 1819, the day of the Bishop's consecration, to the 31st of Dec. 1820, short paid sal. end. 31 Dec. 1821,		Interest computed from 1st of January each year to 1st of January, 1843.		Jan. 1. 1825.		For amount over paid the Bishop on his salary of \$1500 for the year ending 31st Dec. 1824,		Interest on amounts of over payments computed from 1st of Jan. each year to 1st Jan. 1843.	
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Hartford, Conn., June 9, 1813.

Errors excepted.

CHARLES SIGOURNEY,
Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund.

The following Resolution was laid on the table, to be called up again before the Convention terminates its session.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Parishes to continue the assessment, make up the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary, until the total amount in arrears, shown by the foregoing statement, be paid.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee and the Rev. Messrs. Hallam and Townsend were appointed to act as Tellers.

The election resulted as follows:—The Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rev. Samuel Farmer Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rev. George Burgess, A. M., Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., and Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Parochial Reports be now read.

The Standing Committee had leave to retire.

The reading of the Parochial Reports being finished—it was,

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so altering the 14th Article of the Constitution as to give the appointment of Supplementary Delegates to the Convention.

The following Resolution was offered as a substitute for the one laid on the table, relative to the assessments for making up the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary.

Resolved, That the collector of the assessments report to this convention to several Parishes that are in arrears for their assessment to make up the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary in previous years, with the sum due from such Parishes. Should the amount thus due and collectible, be insufficient,—that it be recommended to the Parishes to continue the assessment until such deficit be paid.

On motion, *Resolved*, That this substitute be laid on the table, and made the order of the day in the afternoon.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and suspending the order of the day, resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society, the business of which being finished, the Convention again organized, and the minutes of the morning being read and approved, proceeded to the order of the day.

The Resolution offered as a substitute was withdrawn by the mover, and the original Resolution passed.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was accepted.

The Committee on Finance, having examined the account current of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, and also the account of the Treasurer of the Convention Fund, report the same as correct.

GURDON S. COIT, *Chairman*.

HARTFORD, June 14th, 1843.

The following Resolution was read, and referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

Resolved, That this Convention be hereafter annually held on the last Tuesday of May, instead of the second Tuesday in June.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons made the following Report.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the resolution instructing them to enquire into the expediency of so altering the 14th Article of the Constitution, as to give the appointment of supplementary delegates to the Convention, report,—That they have had the matter under consideration, and think it inexpedient to make such alteration.

WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, *Chairman*.
 SETH B. PADDOCK,
 J. L. CLARK,
 WILLIAM H. ELLIS,
 TIMOTHY T. MERWIN, } *Committee.*

HARTFORD, June 14th, 1843.

On motion, **Resolved**, That it is expedient that agents be appointed by the Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society in New Haven, Hartford, Fairfield and Litchfield Counties, to receive and transmit sums collected for said Society.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the resolution proposing to alter the Constitution as to the time of the annual meeting of the Convention—reported that such alteration is inexpedient.

The Rev. Mr. Huntington made a statement in regard to the sums he had received for the Bishop, and on motion it was

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be requested to confer with the Parishes which are in arrears for the assessment to make up the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary, and to collect, as far as possible, those arrears; and compromise, when necessary, with Parishes unable to pay; and endeavor to close up the matter of arrearages by the next annual meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Burgess, from the Committee appointed yesterday, to "take into consideration the practicability and expediency of some plan for supplying the spiritual wants of those members of our Communion or persons desiring to become such, who reside without the canonical limits of any organized Parish,"—made the following Report, which was accepted and adopted with the subjoined Resolution.

The Committee who were appointed to consider the practicability and expediency of some plan for supplying the spiritual wants of members of our Communion, and of persons desiring to become such, who may reside without the limits of any organized Parish,—present as their Report, the following outline of a plan for the accomplishment of the object in view, with the subjoined Resolution.

It is proposed that the members of our Communion, or persons desiring to become such, who reside in towns containing no organized Parish, shall be made, so far as circumstances may permit, the charge of the parochial and other Clergy, under the following allotment:

In Litchfield County, residents of Canaan, of Norfolk, of Colebrook, of Winchester, of Cornwall, of Goshen, of Torrington, of New Hartford, to the Missionary employed by the Clergy of the County.

In Fairfield County, residents of Sherman, to the minister of the Church at New Milford; residents of New Fairfield, to the minister of

the Church at Danbury; residents of Darien, to the minister of the Church at Stamford.

In New Haven County, residents of Southbury, to the minister of the Church in Woodbury; residents of Prospect, to the minister of the Church at Cheshire; residents of Madison, to the minister of the Church at Guilford.

In Middlesex County, residents of Durham, to the minister of the Church at Middletown; residents of Chester, to the minister of the Church at Essex; residents of Westbrook, to the minister of the Church at Saybrook.

In Hartford County, residents of Burlington, to the minister of the Church at Bristol; residents of Canton, to the minister of the Church at Simsbury; residents of Wethersfield, to the minister of St. John's Church, Hartford; residents of Avon, to the minister of St. James' Parish, Hartford; residents of Farmington, to the minister of the Church at New Britain; residents of Bloomfield, to the minister of the Church at Simsbury; residents of Hartland, to the minister of the Church at Hitchcocksville; residents of Manchester, to the minister of Christ Church, Hartford; residents of East Hartford to the minister of the Church at Glastenbury; residents of Marlborough to the minister of the Church at Hebron; residents of Suffield to the minister of the Church at Windsor; residents of Enfield to the minister of the Church at East Windsor.

In Tolland County, residents of Vernon, of Ellington, of Tolland, of Somers, of Stafford, of Union, of Willington, to the minister of the Church at East Windsor; residents of Bolton, of Coventry, of Mansfield, of Columbia, to the minister of the Church at Hebron.

In Windham County, residents of Ashford, of Woodstock, of Thompson, of Plainfield, of Sterling, of Voluntown, to the minister of the Church at Pomfret; residents of Killingly to the minister of the Church at Brooklyn; residents of Chaplin, of Hampton, of Canterbury, to the minister of the Church at Windham.

In New London County, residents of Lebanon and Colchester, to the minister of the Church at Salem; residents of Franklin to the minister of the Church at Windham; residents of Lisbon, of Ledyard, of Griswold, to the minister of the Church at Preston; residents of Lyme to the minister of the Church at Essex; residents of Bozrah, of Montville, to the minister of the Church at Norwich; residents of East Lyme, of Grotton, of Waterford, of Stonington, of North Stonington, to the minister of the Church at New London.

It is not designed to prevent any special arrangements amongst neighboring clergy; and any other clergyman may officiate, as opportunity shall be offered, in these places; but he shall be expected to report to the clergyman to whose charge any place is allotted, whatever services he may have performed there.

It is recommended that wherever more than a single family of members of our Communion may reside, lay-reading shall, if convenient, be established amongst them.

The several clergymen who have been named, are desired to hold divine service in each of the towns allotted to them, provided that they receive an invitation from any number of persons, at regular and appointed intervals, whether of a month, two, three, four or six months, or a year; baptizing such children as may be presented, and administering the Lord's Supper, from time to time, if there be communicants.

It is expected that provision will be made for the expenses of the clergy, on their excursions, if possible, by the persons whom they may visit; and if they receive any compensation for such services, other than private

presents, they shall make report of the same to the Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, who may also pay the expenses of any clergyman, under direction of the Bishop.

Whenever any number of towns shall contribute three fourths of the salary of a missionary to be employed amongst them, the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge shall furnish the remaining fourth; and it is recommended that the Society also appoint and sustain, in whole or in part, a missionary or missionaries unconnected with any Parish.

It is recommended that each clergyman, in his excursions, shall be accompanied, if possible, by some layman of his Parish.

The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge shall appropriate a portion of its funds to grants of Prayer Books, should it be found necessary.

The Committee recommend the following Resolution:

Resolved, that the above outline of a plan for extending parochial supervision to all parts of this Diocese, be entered on the Journal, and that the practical adoption of the same, so far as circumstances may allow, be recommended by this Convention.

GEORGE BURGESS, *Chairman.*

The Committee on the *admission of new Parishes*, who had already presented a partial report, made their report in full, and the following resolution was passed.

Resolved, that the Report of the Committee be laid on the table and that this Convention without present action upon the petition of Leman Stone and others, will be happy to receive into union with the church in this Diocese, a new Parish in the town of Derby, whenever such Parish shall have been organized by an amicable arrangement with the Parish of St. James Church, Derby.

On motion, resolved, that one thousand copies of the Journal be printed.

The Rev. Messrs. Beardsley and George Burgess were appointed a committee to superintend the printing of the Journals and the Bishop's Charge.

The minutes of the afternoon were then read and approved, and after the usual devotions, and the benediction of the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D. L. L. D.

Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut.

Attest, E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX. NO. I.

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop reports, that during the past year he has been enabled to visit nearly all the parishes of the Diocese—that the holy rite of Confirmation has been administered in 46 of them to *one thousand and seventy persons*; that *three* have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and *nine* to the Priesthood; that there are *fourteen* candidates for Holy Orders—*three* having been transferred to other Dioceses; that *two* Clergymen have taken letters dimissory from the Diocese, and *nine* have been canonically received into it; that *eight* Clergymen have resigned their respective cures, and *six* have been transferred to other stations in the Diocese; that *one* has been deposed from his grade in the ministry; and that *four* Churches have been consecrated to the service of God.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, READING.

REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, RECTOR.

Families, 40; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 9, total, 15; confirmed, 16; communicants—added, 10, deaths and removals, 4, present number, 36; burials, 12; Sunday School teachers, 10; pupils, 45; library, 111 vols.; missionary and charitable contributions, \$72 64.

I have now entered the second year of my charge of this parish; and my past experience enables me to speak much in favor of the Church, in which, notwithstanding the evils of a declining community, there are many indications of reviving vitality, and increasing growth in piety and churchmanship.

———— CHURCH, WESTON.

REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, RECTOR.

Owing to the unsettled state of the Parish, I am unable to state either the number of families or communicants. Baptisms—infants, 7, adults, 2, total, 9; burials, 2; Sunday School teachers, 5; pupils, 20.

During the year ending last Easter, I officiated as missionary in this Parish, and since then as rector, for a half supply of its pulpit, in connection with Reading, with some expectations of being able to induce the congregation to erect a new Church; upon which, in all probability, rests the future destiny of the Church in Weston.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH GUILFORD; UNION CHURCH, KILLINGWORTH; ZION CHURCH, NORTH BRANFORD.

REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR.

Since the last Convention, I have officiated in St. John's Church, North Guilford, 27 Sundays, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper six times. This congregation assemble together every Lord's Day when they have no minister, to offer a tribute of prayer and praise to the Giver of all good things, and may be considered in a sound and healthful state. The exterior of their house of worship has been well repaired, and is in a good state of preservation. On account of bodily infirmity, I have not been able to perform so much parish duty as I could have wished.

During the year I have officiated nine Sundays in Union Church, Killingworth, and administered the Lord's Supper twice, which, with ill health and other engagements, has been as much as I could do for them.

I have also, since the last Convention, performed service and preached fourteen Sundays in North Branford, and administered the Communion five times. The little flock of Zion Church in this place have not forgotten to assemble together on the Lord's Day, and when no minister was present, one of their number has led in the services, and read a sermon.

St. John's, N. Guilford. Families, 37; communicants, 47; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 1; Sunday scholars, 23; teachers, 6; contributions, \$10 54.

Union Church, Killingworth. Baptisms—adults, 1, children, 2, total, 3; burials, 1; communicants, 18.

Zion Church, North Branford. Baptisms—infants, 1; funerals 1; communicants, 16.

REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY.

PRINCIPAL OF CONN. EPIS. ACADEMY.

During the last conventional year I have officiated, on an average, as often as once a month. My services have been chiefly rendered to my neighboring brethren; but I have supplied the vacant Church in Southington, and the vacant Church in Wolcott, each a Sunday. I have also been occasionally called to bury the dead.

CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. L. T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families, 57; baptisms, 16—infants, 4, adults, 12; communicants, 91—added by removals, 2, anew, 12, lost by death, 3; marriages, 6; burials, 6; Sunday school teachers and scholars, about the same as last year; missionary and charitable contributions, \$37 68.

The condition of this Parish is more flourishing than at any previous time since the present Rector was invited to its oversight. During a portion of the year, there being apparent a more than usual disposition to hear the Word, eighty-four discourses were preached in different parts of the Parish, within a little more than three months; not without, it is believed, an abundant blessing.

The members of the Parish, to a happy and exemplary extent, are at peace among themselves; and the more they acquaint themselves with the excellencies of our Scriptural polity and worship, the more decided are they in adherence, and the warmer in attachment.

To the harmony which exists among ourselves, I may add, that an interesting degree of Christian seriousness extends through the Parish; and it is believed it may be said of many, that though not altogether persuaded to be Christians in the thorough import of the term, yet they are not far from the Kingdom of God. The Rector trusts that the one thing yet lacking will, ere long, be remedied. He looks with hope and prayer to the time when all shall have sought the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, and shall have joined themselves to the Lord in a perpetual covenant. While the grace of God in its benign effects is devoutly acknowledged, the Rector would not intimate, that charity has yet its perfect work, nor that there is not great room for improvement in soberness, righteousness and godliness. As regards temporal prosperity, it may be stated, that a subscription is now in the course of circulation for the extinguishment of the debt incurred in building our beautiful church. The large liberality of those who have already been applied to, gives good hope that this effort will be completely successful.

In closing this report, the Rector is confident that the feelings of his parishioners are in devout unison with his own, as he adopts the rejoicing ascription of the Psalmist, "The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.

REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.

Families, 51; added, 5; communicants, 96; added anew, 33; lost by death, 2; baptisms, 25; adults, 11; infants, 14; confirmed, 28; marriages, 3; deaths, 8. The Church in this place appears to be gradually advancing in numbers, and, I would hope, also, in the graces of the Spirit. As its doctrines and principles become better understood, they seem to be more truly appreciated. A new church edifice, as I remarked in my re-

port of last year, is very much needed ; but as the Parish is determined not to build until it can build without debt, it will be necessary to wait till times are more favorable. As more within their means, and not less needed, they have erected the past year, a neat and convenient Rectory, which will contribute very much to the comfort of the clergyman, and no doubt also to the permanency and prosperity of the Parish. The cost of the Rectory, including the lot, was about \$1,500. This amount however, it is proper to remark, was not all of it the result of immediate effort, but partly of a permanent fund long possessed by the Parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, WESTPORT.

REV. EDWARD C. BULL, RECTOR.

Families, 54 ; baptisms, infants, 16 ; adults, 2 ; confirmed, 14 ; communicants, added anew, 20 ; by removal, 1 ; lost, by removal, 2 ; by death 2 ; present number, 83 ; marriages, 3 ; burials, 4 ; Sunday school teachers, 12 ; scholars, 50. Missionary and charitable contributions, \$71 73. The parish is enjoying a good degree of prosperity.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, EAST HADDAM.

REV. ALEXANDER BURGESS, MINISTER.

No full record of the Parish was kept during the early part of the past year, previous to the removal of the late Rector. It has been ascertained from other sources, that one communicant was added ; that there were two infants baptized ; one marriage ; one funeral. Rev. Thomas G. Salter had charge of the Church, until the first Sunday in Advent, 1842. Since the third Sunday in Advent, the present minister has officiated. Number of families, 65 ; communicants, 81 ; added during the year, 17 ; removed, 1 ; baptisms, adults, 7 ; marriages, 6 ; burials, 6 ; Bible class, 45 ; Sunday school teachers, 15 ; scholars, 58 ; contributions for missions, \$16 ; for other purposes about \$20. The average attendance on public service is said to be greater than during most of the years past. The spiritual condition of the Parish is very encouraging.

CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS, RECTOR.

Families, 235 ; baptisms, infants, 33 ; adults, 16 ; communicants, added, 89 ; removed, 34 ; died, 5 ; present number, 376 ; marriages, 8 ; burials, 27 ; confirmed, 35 ; Sunday school teachers, 28 ; scholars, 194 ; missionary and charitable contributions, exclusive of objects within the Parish, \$1,347 88. The Rector states with gratitude, that notwithstanding the growth and flourishing prosperity of a second parish within the city, the congregation of Christ Church has somewhat increased in numbers, and its spiritual condition may be viewed with increased satisfaction. It has certainly been the effect of this extension of the means of grace, to create on all sides a more devout interest in all the services of the Church, a deeper sense of its harmonious unity, and a more active zeal for the wider diffusion of its blessings.

ST. JAMES' PARISH, HARTFORD.

Divine service has been weekly performed, during most of the past year, in the western part of the town of Hartford ; chiefly by the Rector of Christ Church. A Parish has just been organized, under the name of

St. James ; and more than forty families have signified in writing, their wish to join the Society.

ST. JAMES' PARISH, NEWTOWN, (ZOAR.)

REV. D. BURHANS, D. D. RECTOR.

Families, 40 ; baptisms, adults, 3 ; infants, 5 ; confirmations, 9 ; new communicants, 32 ; whole number, 36 ; marriages, one ; deaths, one. This Parish is mostly composed of industrious, enterprising farmers ; will average from forty to forty-five years of age, in the vigor of life, of moral and temperate habits. They are abundantly able to support a clergyman one half of the time, and annually bear an increased proportion in missionary and other charitable religious institutions of the age. We have commenced a Parish Library of 150 volumes ; a Bible class ; a promising Sunday school, with a well chosen library. Having arrived at fourscore years, and retiring from the service of the Church, we commend them to the mercies of God in Christ Jesus, and the nursing care and patronage of the Diocese.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHARON.

REV. SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER, RECTOR.

Families 30, to which 8 might *nominally* be added ; baptisms, adults, 4, infants, 1, total, 5 ; Marriages, 6 ; Burials, 5. Communicants—added anew, 5 ; by removal, 1 ; lost by death, 4 ; whole number, 63.

I have no missionary collections to report, though regular collections have been made. By a vote of the society, all money thus received was directed to be appropriated to relieve the society of a debt of more than two years standing, for clerical services. This society does not feel able to raise more than about two-thirds of a salary ; and it has received no aid from other sources.

Sunday School children, 20 ; teachers, 4, besides the Superintendent. Repairs have been made upon the Church building, which add greatly to its comfort and appearance, within the last year.

It has been earnestly hoped that this Church might, with some aid from the Christian Knowledge Society, be induced to persevere in the support of clerical services for the whole time.

CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families, 37 ; baptisms—infants, 1 ; communicants—added by removals, 5 ; anew, 3 ; omitted last year, 4 ; lost by removals, 2 ; total, 39 ; Sunday School scholars, 20 ; missionary and charitable contributions, \$3,11.

The village where this Parish is situated, was visited during the last spring with a very extraordinary and extensive religious excitement, in which the whole community participated in a greater or less degree. The immediate result was an apparent increase of religious feeling, which we hope will be lasting, though we are not without many fears in regard to it. It, however, was the means of bringing out many hostile feelings, and exciting many bitter speeches against the Church, and of drawing away three families who had been occasional attendants at Church. The loss, however, has been more than made up in actual strength to the parish, by causing some to attend Church who had not done so before, and by the addition of some substantial families by re-

moval. Upon the whole, the result has strengthened our confidence in the stability of this parish. There are, at present, seven candidates for confirmation, and eight who design to join the communion soon.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

Families, 173; baptisms—infants, 39; adults, 22; confirmed, 47; communicants, 294; added by removals, 9; anew, 50; lost by death, 6; by removals, 24; marriages, 10; burials, 19; Sunday School teachers, 56; scholars, 295. Missionary and charitable contributions as follows—to the Domestic department of our missionary society, \$277.50; to the Foreign department, \$93.32; to the Church Scholarship Society, \$177; to neighboring Churches, \$63; to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$70; for objects within the parish, though raised in the way of Church offerings or ladies' sewing circles, \$87.41; total, \$773.66. In addition to the above, there has been contributed at the several communion seasons, expressly for the poor within the parish, about \$60; and for the Sunday School and Parish libraries, \$20.60. The offerings of the Sunday School, including the special collection at Christmas for the relief of our general missionary treasury, have amounted to \$55.07; and teachers of the school have contributed \$40 in addition, for the education of children at our African mission. The ladies' sewing circles (four in number) have raised \$102.65.

Instead of a Bible class, a weekly lecture has been held in the Church during the year. These services, and also those appointed on the festival and fast days, have been attended by a greater number than in any previous year. The Holy Spirit, we trust, has blessed the word and ordinances to many souls.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.

REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms, 66; adults, 27; infants, 39; funerals, 45; marriages, 21; confirmed, 99; communicants—added anew, 97; by removal, 4; lost by death, 10; by removal, 5; whole number, 374; families, 300; Bible class, 40; Sunday scholars, 230; teachers, 36; missionary and charitable collections, \$373.50.

TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families, 93; baptisms—adults, 6; infants, 17; confirmed, 29; communicants—added by removal, 4; anew, 24; lost by removal, 3; by death, 4; present number, 155; marriages, 2; burials, 9; Sunday School teachers, 18; scholars, 106; missionary and charitable contributions, for objects without the parish, about \$100.

There has been, during the past year, a manifest improvement in the state of religion in this parish; and the apparent increase of a spirit of prayer among us gives good promise of still richer blessings of divine grace. I resumed, in the spring, with encouraging prospects, the exercises of a Bible class; a means of pastoral instruction which I had formerly pursued with much success. A monthly meeting of teachers of the Sunday School, and others particularly interested in it, affords further opportunity for familiar instructions by the Rector, in order to secure the legitimate operation of this institution.

Much zeal has been manifested for several months past, not only by the choir, but by members of the parish generally, for the improvement of our sacred music. The ladies' sewing society also continues in active and successful operation.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families, about 30; baptisms—adults, 7; children, 7; communicants—lost by removal, 5; by death, none; added anew, 20; present number, 66; marriages, 9; Sunday School teachers, 10; scholars, including the Bible class, 55; confirmed since the last Convention, 20; Children's Magazines taken in the parish, 16; Church Chronicles, 18; charitable contributions, \$32.93; \$7 has been appropriated to the Christian Knowledge Society, and the remainder to Domestic missions. The offerings of the parish are regularly taken up every fourth Sunday in the month, which are to be divided between the Christian Knowledge Society and Domestic missions.

Divine service was held in the Church on every Wednesday during the season of Lent, and on all the festivals and fasts usually observed by the Church, and occasional services in remote parts of the parish; besides, during the past year, I have officiated seven times in Burlington, to quite a good number of people.

And it gives me great pleasure to state, that Christian kindness, harmony and love, still characterize the people of my charge; and that the number of attendants on public worship has much increased. More than all, an unusual degree of interest upon the subject of religion has prevailed in the parish, within the last six months; and quite a number, we humbly trust, have commenced a new and holy life.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, RECTOR.

The Rector respectfully reports to his Rt. Rev. Diocesan as follows:

Families, as near as the circumstances of a new and forming parish will allow me to reckon, and with no computation of single persons, who are, however, a great part of the congregation, 130; marriages, 2; burials, 4; baptisms—of infants, 29; catechumens, 27; in all, 56; confirmed, 64; communicants—removed, 11; died, 1; added, 88; of which by first communion, 67; in all, 177. Collections—for African mission, \$36; for Wisconsin, \$42; donation for Texas, \$5; Church Scholarship Society, \$25; Quinquagesima collection, \$150; Parochial Sunday School, \$20.60; Church at Akron, \$20; Christian Knowledge Society, \$20; General Theological Seminary, \$28; Communion alms, \$91.45; in all, \$438.05. In addition to which, liberal subscriptions have been made for parochial and other charities.

Serrices twice, and frequently thrice, on the Lord's day, and on Friday evenings throughout the year. Daily evening service throughout the forty days of Lent, except on Wednesdays, when morning service was celebrated, and the parishioners enjoyed the opportunity of attending evening service and the lecture, at Christ Church. Morning and evening services, and one service, at least, on the festivals of Christmas, Circumcision, Epiphany, and the Ascension, and on the fasts of Ash Wednesday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Holy Week, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Even. On the two minor days of Easter and Whitsuntide, morning and evening service without sermons. The

usual service on Thanksgiving day, and sermons have been preached for the minor festivals, during the week in which they fell, preparatory to their due celebration, which will be commenced on the feast of St. Andrew next.

The Holy Sacraments. The Eucharist has been celebrated on the first Sunday in every month; and likewise on the High Festivals of Christmas, Easter, the Ascension, Pentecost and the Holy Trinity, once extraordinarily; and frequently at the visitation of the sick. Baptism administered statedly to catechumens on Easter Even and Whitsunday, and to children whose baptism has been deferred, on Whitmonday, or Whitsun-Tuesday.

Catechetical Instruction. The children are catechised openly in the Church, on Sundays, from Advent Sunday to the season of Lent. Adult catechumens, from the first Sunday in Lent till Easter; but an extraordinary class was formed during the past year, and instructed previous to baptism, which I administered, on Advent Sunday, to thirteen. The teachers of the Sunday School were instructed preparatory to their work as catechists, during the fall and winter, once a month. The Sunday School has furnished instruction during the year to 143 children, with an average attendance of 95. Teachers, 28. Library, 120 volumes. The scholars subscribe to 48 copies of the Children's Magazine. An anniversary service, catechism, sermon, and distribution of rewards, takes place on the festival of the Holy Innocents. A course of lectures on the Rites, Liturgies, History and Creed of the Catholic Church, in accordance with the requisition of General Canon XXVIII, was delivered in this Church, at divine service, on Friday evenings, from the festival of St. John Baptist to September 23d, inclusive.

The Rector has made missionary excursions to West Hartford, East Windsor, Newington, Poquonnock, Manchester, and Old Windsor. Lay services are statedly afforded on the Lord's day at the last two places; and at Windsor I have regularly officiated, since September last, on Wednesday evenings. The result of this interesting mission will be found in my report as minister of St. Gabriel's Parish, which, by God's blessing, was duly organized there in Advent season last.

ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH, WINDSOR.

REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, MINISTER.

The minister respectfully reports to his Rt. Rev. Diocesan: that on the 7th of August, 1842, he commenced missionary labors in the town of Windsor; on which occasion the services of the Church were for the first time celebrated within its bounds. As the town is the oldest in the State and Diocese, and, since the settlement of the first Congregational pastor in the State in 1636, has continued wholly in the hands of sectarians, this fact is worthy of record. Lay-reading and Sunday School instruction on the Lord's day, were established under Episcopal license, on the 18th of September; and on the 14th of December ensuing, the Church and Parish of St. Gabriel, Windsor, was duly organized; and with consent of the Bishop, placed under the pastoral charge of the missionary.

The state of the Parish at present, is as follows: families, 24; baptisms—infants, 4; catechumens, 6; in all, 10; confirmed, 18; communicants, 26; of whom, added by first communion, 18; collections, save for parochial purposes, none. Services—Lay-reading twice on the Lord's day, and on Christmas and Easter a sermon by the minister. Also, on Thanksgiving day, and throughout the Holy Week, regular services

were afforded by the Lay-reader; by whom, under direction of the minister, standard sermons from Anglican and American divines, have usually been read, on all occasions of his service. On Wednesday evenings, I have regularly officiated and preached, or lectured.

The Holy Sacraments. . Baptism of adult catechumens at Easter, and of infants at Pentecost. The Holy Communion celebrated at Christmas and Easter, and on Monday after the Feast of Trinity.

Catechetical Instruction. The Sunday School—teachers, 5; scholars, 25; library, 170 volumes; four subscriptions to Children's Magazine. Children publicly catechized by the minister but once. Adult catechumens instructed and visited during the season of Lent. Lectures under XXVIII General Canon, have been fearlessly and freely given, from the outset, with the happiest effect.

The ladies have a benevolent society, in a very flourishing condition, and organized on a proper plan; to which the minister is already indebted for a surplice and stole. A choir has also been organized, who are already able to sustain the service, in all its musical parts, with creditable skill, and by the assistance of a small keyed instrument, with considerable effect; nor will the character of the Parish for enlightened catholicity, be a sufferer for the facts, that *of their own accord*, they have adorned the humble walls of their *upper room* with the symbol of our Holy Faith. An effort is now in progress for the erection of a small cruciform Church, after a simple design in Rural Gothic.

To a student of Washington College, who has, in all weathers, faithfully and zealously performed the duties of lay-reader and superintendent of the Sunday School, my own thanks and those of the Parish are richly due.

TRINITY CHURCH AND ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, NEW HAVEN.

REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR; REV. J. H. NICHOLS, AND REV. WM. F. MORGAN,
ASSISTANT MINISTERS.

Families, about 700; Baptisms—infants, 104; adults, 48; in all, 152; confirmed, 111; communicants, about 800; marriages, 29; burials, 64; Sunday School teachers, 63; scholars, 545; missionary and charitable contributions, (besides the usual parish charities, and \$687.47 special offerings for Quinquagesima Sunday,) \$1065.25; in all, \$1752.72.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

REV. J. T. CUSHING, RECTOR.

Families, 72; baptisms—adults, 10; infants, 16; total, 26; communicants—added, 23; died, 3; removed 2; withdrawn, 1; present number, 111; marriages 3; burials, 11; confirmed, 20; Sunday School teachers, 12; scholars 70; monthly collections for religious purposes, exclusive of the Parish, \$33.

A Biblical lecture on Sunday evenings, together with the prayer and holy days of the Lenten season, compose our extra Lord's day services.

A new organ has been purchased for the Church within the last year; and the general prosperity of the Parish is, with the divine blessing, as great as could be reasonably expected, considering the character and circumstances of the community in which it is placed.

P. S. Having stated in my last year's Report, that "the late Rector (Rev. C. W. Everest) left no Report" for the year of his administration, previous to my entrance on the Parish; this statement was incorrect, in

as far as a *record* of his official acts was afterwards discovered upon the Parish register. They are as follows: (year 1842, Rev. C. W. Everest, minister,)—"Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 12; marriages, 2; burials, 4; communicants added, 1."

TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND.

REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, MINISTER.

Families, 103; baptisms, infants, 12; communicants—added, by removal, 1, anew, 8, died, 3, present number, 101; marriages, 4; burials, 13; Sunday school teachers, 12, scholars, 97; missionary and charitable contributions, \$295 50; Spirit of Missions, 15; Children's Magazine, 50; Chronicle and Record, 20. The state of this parish is essentially the same as at the date of last year's report.

GRACE CHURCH, HAMDEN.

REV. C. W. EVEREST, MINISTER.

Families, 43; communicants, 63; added anew, 1; baptisms, 3; marriages, 2; burials, 5; monthly collections received since last Convention, \$24 01; communion offerings received during same period, \$14 61½; total, \$38 62½. The present minister, having been in charge of the Parish only since Easter last, can say but little of its condition. For most of the statistics which he reports, he relies upon the Parish Register.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.

REV. R. FITCH, RECTOR.

Families, 37; baptisms—infants, 5, adults, 1; communicants—added anew, 3, lost by death, 4, present number, 47; burials, 6; Sunday school teachers, 6, scholars, 35; missionary and charitable contributions, \$14. I succeeded the Rev. R. Shaw in the charge of this Parish, at Easter. The official acts reported were performed previous to my entering upon the charge of the Parish. St. Andrew's Church, Northford, and St. John's, North Haven, have returned to their former connection as one ecclesiastical cure.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH HAVEN.

REV. R. FITCH, RECTOR.

Families, 44; baptisms infants, 4; communicants added anew, 4; marriage, 1; burials, 4; Sunday school teachers, 4, scholars, 20; missionary and charitable contributions, \$25. The present Rector resigned the charge of the Parish of Grace Church, Hamden, at Easter, and entered upon his duties in this Parish immediately after. The official acts reported, with the exception of two burials, were performed by my predecessor, the Rev. A. B. Chapin.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KENT.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families, 23; baptisms—adults, 4, children, 10, whole number, 14; marriage, 1; burials, 1; communicants—added anew, 4, by removal, 1, lost by removal, 1, present number, 18. I have continued my services in this church one fourth of the Sundays for the past year, with an increasing congregation. The prospects of this parish are much improved since my last report. The debt due for building the church, which

has remained on interest upwards of sixteen years, and which amounted to about \$500, has been paid by the following contributions: of the Parishes of Litchfield County by the Clerical and Missionary Association, through the Christian Knowledge Society, two payments of \$125 each, \$250; of Christ Church, Hartford, \$50; of Trinity Church, New Haven, \$25; of St. John's Church, Waterbury, \$25; of Trinity Church, Newtown, \$20; of Christ Church, Middletown, \$15; of St. Paul's, Norwalk, \$15; of members of the Parish, \$100; making the total amount \$500. The Parish may now be considered free from debt, and this circumstance already shows its happy influence, in the union and zeal of the few families connected with the Parish, and the kindly feeling of those formerly connected, and it is hoped that the residence of a clergyman may be soon secured in this place.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROXBURY.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families added by removal, 2, whole number, 61; baptisms—adults, 6, children, 8, whole number, 14; marriages, 2; burials, 6; communicants—added anew, 7, present number, 46; Sunday scholars and catechumens, 45; missionary and charitable contributions, about \$25. In addition to the above, the ladies of the parish have raised about \$85, which has been expended in fitting up and painting the interior of the church. There has been raised also about \$220, which has been expended in purchasing and fitting up a bell for the use of the church. I have officiated for this parish one half of the Sundays for the past year, and the increasing attendance, regularity and order of the congregation, as well as their zeal and liberality in trying to help themselves, as well as to remember others, are encouraging signs for the prosperity of the Church in this place. I have occasionally held services in Southbury, South Preston society, and have the satisfaction of reporting the organization of a parish in that town, by the name of "the Church of the Resurrection;" baptisms, two children.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families added by removal, 3, whole number, 29; baptisms, adults, 1, children, 5, total, 6; marriage, 1; communicants—added anew, 3, lost by death, 2, present number, 31; burials, 3; Sunday scholars and catechumens, 25; missionary and charitable contributions, about \$8. About \$50 have been expended in repairing the church, and efforts are now being made to secure other needful conveniences.

I have officiated for this parish one fourth of the Sundays for the past year, with a congregation increasing in numbers and attention, and an effort has been made to secure services one half of the time for the ensuing three years, and with success. The condition of this parish, though widely scattered, is yet encouraging, and by carefully walking "in the old paths where is the good way," the church will "arise and shine, her light being come, and the glory of the Lord being risen upon her."

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HEBRON.

REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.

There have been in this parish during the past year 6 baptisms, 7 marriages, and 3 deaths. The number of communicants is nearly the same

as last reported, there having been no increase from the circumstance that some have delayed partaking of the sacrament for the last two years, desiring first to renew their baptismal engagements in the apostolical rite of confirmation. The members of this Society are generally punctual in their attendance at the place of worship, and united in all things relating to its temporal and spiritual interests.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEW PRESTON.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, MINISTER.

Families, 67; communicants—added, 10, removals, 3, present number, 53; baptisms—adults, 4, children, 6, total, 10; confirmations, 10; marriages, 3; burials, 3; Sunday school teachers, 11; scholars, 60.

The quarterly collections have been taken up as usual, and the portion appropriated to missions in this Diocese will be remitted to the Treasurer at some future convenient opportunity.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, MINISTER.

Families, 58; communicants—added, 14, present number, 40; baptisms—adults, 4, children, 3, total, 7; confirmations, 21; marriages, 2; funerals, 2; Sunday school, same as last year, teachers, 7, scholars, 30.

The regular quarterly collections required by the canons have been taken up, and the portion appropriated to missions in this Diocese will be remitted to the Treasurer at some future convenient opportunity.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.

REV. JOHN M. GUNN, MINISTER.

Families, 26; baptisms—infants and children, 6; communicants—added by removals, 2, anew, 5, total, 7, present number, 32; marriage, 1; burials, 5; missionary and charitable contributions, \$17.

The condition of this Parish is much the same as that represented in my former reports; modified by an accumulation of pecuniary embarrassments, arising out of the business derangements of the place, not uncheered, however, with an especial degree of religious seriousness, and by the exemplary walk, cordial unanimity and persevering zeal of our little flock. With the mingled emotions we can well appropriate the language of the confiding apostle: "troubled on every side yet not distressed; perplexed but not in despair; cast down but not destroyed." The diminution in the number of families reported, as compared with the preceding year, is mainly owing to several who then with the strongest reasons were counted upon as permanent accessions, having betaken themselves to a new and more popular place of resort. A very encouraging number of persons are awaiting the rite of confirmation. The funerals reported were all of persons disconnected with the parish, with the exception of an infant, through a gracious Providence, the only instance of mortality within our flock for more than two years. Peculiar circumstances have occasioned a temporary disappointment in the re-organization of the Sunday school.

This whole region seems to present a most propitious field for missionary labor—embracing several isolated families of Episcopalians, and a mass of individuals ever prompt to lend a favorable ear to the word dispensed *in the Church*, and whom the notoriously distracted state of the

various sects, would doubtless dispose to seek refuge in the "opened door" of the ark of security and peace. On a *few* occasions I have ministered with much gratification to myself, and I trust with acceptance to different assemblages, and feel with pain the restraint of circumstances which interfere with a constant and systematic course of action upon ground so inviting.

**ST. JAMES' PARISH, INCLUDING ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DANBURY,
AND ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL, BETHEL.**

REV. THOMAS T. GUYON, RECTOR.

Families, 97; baptisms—infants, 5, children, 20, adults, 24, total, 49; confirmed, 12; communicants—added by removals, 2, anew, 19, lost by death, 2, by removals, 6, present number, 121; marriages, 9; burials, 15; Sunday school teachers, 20, scholars, 75.

Money matters.—Formerly a part of the Rector's salary was paid by the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge; now it is all raised within the Parish. Missionary, and other contributions, have amounted to about \$100, and the Bethel people have appropriated about \$125 to furnishing and re-painting the Chapel. The Parish is united, and, as a whole is, in some respects, enjoying an unexampled degree of prosperity. But St. James' Church, besides being a miserable old building, is very badly located, and unless some decided improvement is speedily made, the Chapel will not only take the precedence, but, being able to sustain the entire services of a clergyman, will desire to walk alone, which, under present circumstances, would indeed be calamitous to those who, in Danbury, "contend for the faith," for there is no neighboring Parish with which they could unite.

The Rector does not hesitate to believe that if a new church edifice were erected in a more eligible place, the Parish would, by the blessing of God, soon begin to take the stand it *ought* to take, and a clergyman would be procured for each place of worship. The preliminary steps for the accomplishment of this desirable event have been taken, and if anything may be argued from the zeal that has signalized the commencement, we may readily conclude that this portion of Christ's blood-bought Church, will not be permitted to languish on account of the luke-warmness of her children. She is beginning to "arise," and "shine," and although "the heathen" may "rage, and the people imagine a vain thing," her course is onward, and, we trust in God, upward.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON.

REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families, 74; baptisms—adults, 5, infants, 4; communicants—added by admission, 6, by removals, 5, lost by death, 3, by removals, 4, present number, 109; marriages, 4; burials, 10; Sunday school teachers, 16, scholars, 73; missionary and charitable contributions as follows—General Missionary Society, \$126 95, Christian Knowledge Society, \$27 36, Church Scholarship Society—by ladies, avails of their industry, \$80 00, Pomfret, \$22 00, Jubilee College, \$30 00, Painesville, O., \$20 00, other objects out of the Parish, \$35 00, total, \$341 31.

Confirmation has not been administered in this parish the past year; the Bishop's appointment for that object, the late Spring, having, at the instance of the Rector, been deferred till next month.

The course of this Parish is still marked by quiet prosperity and grad-

ual improvement. Still, though among the very oldest Parishes of the Diocese, and located in one of its largest towns, and amidst an active and thriving population, it is exceeded in size, and outstripped in growth, by perhaps more than half its sister Parishes. They who love the Church, and understand her claims and her value, must lament this, and desire greatly to see her sphere enlarged, and her influence extended in this place. So far as his personal comfort is concerned, the present Rector finds occasion for nothing but contentment and gratitude; but for Zion's sake, he would be glad to see his post filled by one better fitted to do the peculiar service which it seems to him to demand, who, by God's blessing, might raise the Church of his native place to its rightful position of honor and usefulness.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WOODBURY.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, MINISTER.

Families, 51; baptisms—infants, 7; confirmed, 14; communicants—added by removal, 0, anew, 5, lost by removal, 7, by death, 3, present number, 50; marriages, 3; burials, 6; Sunday school teachers, 7, scholars, 50; Bible class, 17; amount of missionary and charitable collections, \$48 06, of which \$33 63 were raised by monthly collections, and devoted to Parish purposes and the payment of Diocesan assessments; \$14 43 were taken up at a missionary collection in January last, and from it \$5 00 were appropriated to Domestic and Foreign Missions, and \$8 00 were reserved for the Litchfield county missionary, who is to be stationed at Kent.

The number of our subscribers to the *Chronicle* has been diminished, so as to have reduced our present list to 22; a circumstance to be regretted, particularly at a time when efforts are making for the improvement of that paper as a vehicle of ecclesiastical intelligence, a weekly supplier of practical religious reading to our people, and an expounder of those principles of the Church for which our Diocese has always cherished so unsurpassed an attachment.

In addition to the ordinary religious services on Sunday, Wednesday evening weekly lectures were held during the season of Lent, and have been tolerably well sustained during some other parts of the past conventional year. The exercises of the Sunday school and of the Bible class, were continued through the winter, to the benefit, as we hope, of such of the pupils as attended, and the obviating of much of the difficulty which usually arises from the re-organization of schools, when scholars have been disbanded for a considerable period of time, and the regularity of their attendance has been interrupted by so long a suspension from their accustomed duties.

Attendance upon the public worship of the Lord's day has been more *variable* than we presume it will *hereafter* be, as the erection of some horse-sheds which have been put up within the last year, for the accommodation of those who reside at a distance, will have a tendency to make the size of my congregation more stable and less fluctuating.

Frequent meetings held by the *young* for their mutual improvement in *sacred music*, have been of much benefit to themselves, and aided very materially in qualifying them for the important part which they have taken in the performance of our public sanctuary services.

In place of the bell which was broken, a new and more expensive one has been procured, weighing 843 pounds.

Assistance has been received by the Parish from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, which, together with a special appropria-

tion received through the medium of that Society from the Parish of St. John's Church, Waterbury, has enabled it to sustain the undivided services of a minister through another year. The *continuance*, however, of such constant ministerial services, will require of it an amount of effort which it was no more than *able* to bear even in the most *prosperous* times, while in the *present discouraging* state of business affairs, the burden will be felt to be doubly oppressive. And under existing circumstances, there can be no doubt, but that the commencement of another year will be a return to its former mode of having its ministerial taxes lightened by a union of itself with some other Parish.

In Southbury divine service has been celebrated on every alternate Lord's day during the past year, at the customary hour of holding third services. The legal organization of a Parish has been effected; and under circumstances that warrant a belief, that at some *future* time, the incipient movement thus made will *issue* in the successful introduction and establishment of an Episcopal Church in that town.

TRINITY CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.

REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D., RECTOR.

Families, 48; communicants—lost by death, 3, added, 10, present number, 60; baptisms—adults, 8, children, 4, who's number, 12; Sunday school scholars, 50, teachers, 8; presented for confirmation, 20; marriages, 4; funerals, 3; amount of charitable contributions, \$30.

● The Parish of Northfield embraces within its territorial limits a section of each of the towns of Litchfield and Plymouth. It was the removal of the Episcopal Church from Plymouth Hollow some fifty years ago, which gave occasion to the formation of a new society, and the building of a church edifice in Northfield. The measure was deemed important at the time, and was made necessary by the force of circumstances. As must have been anticipated, the smallness of their Parish limits, and the contiguity of neighboring Churches, furnish the only reason why they have increased no more in strength and numbers. Few parishes, it is believed, have gone along more quietly and unitedly in the path of duty—few have contributed of their substance more cheerfully, as "God has prospered them," for the support of the gospel among themselves, and its diffusion abroad.

It is now thirty-two years since I first preached in this Parish, and with the exception of about eight years in the time, it has fallen to my lot to be the Rector of this little Church. At no period since my acquaintance with them, has their condition been any better, either temporarily or spiritually, than at the present time—at no time have I ever thought their prospects as good as now. And this improvement, under God, has resulted apparently from an increase of ministerial services from one half to the whole of the time. They are now making an increased effort to sustain the entire services of a clergyman on a small salary, and for the past year have succeeded beyond their own expectations. To human appearance, the future prospects of this Church, like most others which have been for so long a time in a like condition, depend on their being able to carry out what they have so laudably and zealously undertaken. That they should, therefore, be encouraged by all proper means, and especially by the fostering hand of the Church in the Diocese, is a proposition too clear to demand further proof.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.

Families, about 100; baptisms—children, 7, adults, 14; confirmed, 25; communicants—added by removals, 6, anew, 25, lost by death, 2, removals, 13, present number, (including 9 formerly numbered in the Parish of Middlebury) 138; marriages, 8; burials, 9; Sunday school teachers, 23, scholars, 110; missionary and charitable contributions, \$71 03, viz. for Foreign Missions, \$13 85, Domestic, \$13 85, Christian Knowledge Society, \$3 00, Parish library, \$16 85, other objects, \$18 49.

The unusual degree of religious interest which was awakened in this Parish more than a year ago, has, in a good measure, been continued. Within the last fifteen months, 68 have been added *anew* to the communion, nearly equal to one half of the present number. This accession has been principally from the youth, and from the middle aged, thus giving the prospect of permanency and strength to the Parish after its more aged members shall have been "gathered to their fathers." The greater respect and attention that have been paid to the public and private duties, and to the appointed ordinances of religion, have been followed by their legitimate fruits—unity and peace, a greater zeal in doing good, a greater interest in the cause of missions, and an increase of personal piety.

It may be proper to state, that in addition to the regular morning and evening services on Sundays, the Rector has frequently held extra services either in the Church, or in different parts of the Parish; and, in union with a brother clergyman, he was enabled to open the Church for divine service on every Wednesday evening during the season of Lent, and he has reason to believe, that these services were signally blessed to the spiritual good of this people.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, RIDGEFIELD.

REV. WARNER HOYT, RECTOR.

The number of families in this Parish is 78; during the past year there have been baptized, adults, 5, infants, 5, total 10; confirmed, 11; communicants—last reported, 118, died, 2, removed, 2, added by removal, 3, added anew, 10, error in last year's report, less 4, present number, 131; marriages, 8; funerals, 8; Sunday school teachers, 12, scholars, about 50; contributions to missionary purposes, \$15.

On the 20th of September last, the Bishop consecrated to the worship of Almighty God a neat and commodious edifice recently erected by the Parish, at an expense of probably about \$5,000. We have also purchased a small but sweet-toned organ, which greatly adds to the interest and solemnity of our services. By reason of these expenditures the Parish is considerably involved in debt; but measures have been taken for its gradual removal, which, it is believed, will, in a few years, be crowned with success. Our congregation has been considerably increased during the past year, and God has blessed us in a remarkable degree with harmony and peace. I feel authorized, therefore, to report this Parish to be in a decidedly prosperous condition.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

REV. E. HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

During the ecclesiastical year which has elapsed since our last meeting in Convention, the course of our church has been on the whole

onward. During the last summer there was a better attendance on public worship than at any time during my connection with the parish. During the winter, owing to prevalence of scarlet fever, and the scattered state of the congregation, the attendance was for some time thin. This spring, there is however, clear evidence of an increased interest in the Church, in the number of applicants for pews, greater than has been at any period before, since my acquaintance with the parish. Some more pews than we have might be disposed of. I have admitted into the church by baptism, 2 adults, and 9 infants; 8 have been confirmed by the bishop; 9 have been added to those who regularly participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper; 12 couples have been united in holy matrimony. I have attended to the grave with the last offices of religion, 21 persons. The monthly offerings for benevolent purposes have amounted to about \$100.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKFIELD.

REV. E. J. IVES, RECTOR.

Families, 85; baptisms—infants, 7, adults, 1; communicants—added, 7, lost by removal, 2, whole number, 87; marriages, 4; burials, 4; missionary and charitable collections, \$30.

REV. A. JACKSON,

Reports to the Bishop that he has been occupied during the past year, with the duties of a professor in Washington College.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HADDAM.

REV. S. FARMER JARVIS, D. D. RECTOR.

In reporting to the Bishop the performance of official duty since my resignation of the parish of Middletown, I can only say in general terms that so far from being idle, I have labored more abundantly. Without advertng minutely to the work which devolves from the appointment of Historiographer of the Church, I must mention that during the last three months I have prepared for the press a small work on prophecy, by means of which every English reader, who desires to study that most interesting but obscure portion of the Bible, will be enabled to work out for himself all the problems concerning the dates of those great historical events, by which God ushered into this world his beloved Son. It is now, I trust, or will be shortly, in the press; and with the introductory volume of Ecclesiastical History, the proposals for which were published in December last, the whole scheme of Chronology, from the Creation of the world, to the foundation of the Christian Church will be made clearly manifest. These labors however, have not prevented the performance of the ordinary duties of the priesthood. I continued to do the general duty of the parish of Middletown, until the close of April, 1842; and since the last Convention, I have aided my brethren of the clergy in the performance of parochial duty and preaching, for 29 Sundays; 14 in Middletown, 3 at Portland, 3 in Boston, 2 in Hartford, 5 in New York, and 2 at Haddam, beside week-day services in several of those places and in Litchfield. I have preached more than 60 times, administered the communion in church 9 times, and frequently to sick persons, baptized 2 infants, and performed the burial service four times.

My engagements at Haddam, which have led to the formation of a new parish, arose from one of those small links in the chain of God's

providences which men call accident or chance. A person from that town, having called upon me on the subject of circulating subscriptions for the introductory volume of Church History, I was led to inquire if there were any professors of our Church in that quarter. This inquiry was occasioned by a memorandum in my father's hand-writing of professors of the Church of England, in Maromus, Haddam-quarter, and parts adjacent under his cure. The answer was, that there was one family. "Tell them then from me, that I shall be happy to visit and to serve them, if they need my services." This led to a visit from the head of that family. He had lived in Haddam sixteen years, and brought up his family in the principles of the Church. To enjoy her worship, he was obliged to hire a waggon, ride five miles over a bad road, and cross a ferry. One of his daughters had been ill for three years, during which time she had been unable to attend Church, and had been deprived of the Communion.

It need scarcely be added that I appointed a time to visit them. On Wednesday the 22d of March, for the first time probably since the Revolution, Divine service was celebrated in Haddam, according to our ritual. On Thursday, the Holy Communion was administered to the sick person; and with her, communed her father, her brother, and two sisters. We all united in singing the 27th Hymn; and never did the services of the Church seem to me more solemn or more affecting. Our blessed Lord has said, that where two or three are met together, there he is in the midst of them. Turning to the father I said, "you have a church in your house; why not set up an altar there?" "That was a happiness," he replied, "which he had never hoped for." "But you may hope for it; and, by God's grace, it shall be done. I am now obliged to go to New York; but I will spend Easter Sunday with you, and on Easter Monday we will organize a Parish." This was happily accomplished. The family, and a few neighbors who were inclined to join us, were assembled on Monday, April 17, at eight o'clock, A. M. The sick person sat in her easy-chair, supported by pillows, and morning service was celebrated. We then proceeded, according to the State laws, to organize our little Church. "It must have a name," I said; "what shall it be?" The father turning to his sick daughter, asked her to name it. After a pause, she said deliberately, and in a clear and audible voice, "THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY IN HADDAM."—"May such be its name, and its profession," I added, "henceforth and forever!"

I passed the last Sunday there. Our services in the organized parish of the Holy Trinity, undesignedly began on Trinity Sunday. Morning and evening prayers were offered and two sermons preached in the school house; the litany and communion were, for obvious reasons, celebrated [at eleven o'clock, A. M.] in the house of this Christian family. Notice was given for the formation next Sunday of a Bible class; and our exertions are now cheered by the approbation and consent of the Bishop and the Convention.

REV. WILLIAM JARVIS.

A journey of several weeks' continuance, which I am about to commence, not only in the hope that it may be the means, under God, of restoring the health of a member of my family, who is to accompany me, but also in fulfilment of engagements made several months ago, will prevent my being present at the annual Convention in June next.

The report which I have to make will not vary essentially from those of several previous years. The disease of my throat has, I fear, permanently affected the organs of articulation; since I have been unable on any one occasion to read aloud more than fifteen minutes uninterruptedly without extreme difficulty of utterance, pain and hoarseness. During the past year, I have, in the absence of the Rector of the Parish, married one couple, and at various times performed the visitation office for the sick.

REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

In obedience to Canon 1st, which requires that "every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall report to the Ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same," I beg leave to state, that for reasons given in my last year's report, I have not yet thought it prudent to attempt the labor of public speaking. As a trustee, I have been present at every regular meeting of the several boards in which I have the honor to hold a seat.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.

REV. PASCAL P. KIDDER, RECTOR.

Number of families, 70; baptisms,—infants, 4; communicants—added anew, 5; by removal, 2; lost by death, 1; by removal, 1; and one formerly a Presbyterian, having married a communicant of the Church, was confirmed last year and became a communicant; but having recently married a Presbyterian, has been received again into that denomination. Present number of communicants, 92; marriages, 5; burials, 6; teachers, 14; scholars, between 50 and 60; members of Bible class, 10; missionary and charitable contributions, \$7 have been given by the Ladies' Working Society, to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; \$12, the amount of a special collection, have been appropriated to the same Society, and about \$25 have been raised to be applied for the benefit of the institutions of the Church in this Diocese. Respecting this Parish, there is little further to report of general interest. I here however, beg leave to state, that owing to the hardness of the times, the Parish greatly needs the further assistance of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, and it is hardly probable that a clergyman can be sustained here, for the whole of the time, without the fostering care of this Society, at least for the present. Still the Parish must be regarded, on the whole, as in a prosperous condition. They are about making some repairs on the Church, which are indispensable, and the ladies of the Parish are making praiseworthy exertions to assist in defraying the expenses of the same.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D. RECTOR.

Families, about 100; baptisms, 13; communicants—added, 17, died or removed, 4, present number, 180; marriages, 9; burials, 25; Sunday school teachers, 46; scholars, 150; total, 196; contributions for missionary and other benevolent objects, \$270. The system of monthly offerings has been introduced during the past year. The Rector records

with gratitude to God, and respect for the memory of the worthy donor, that the late *Goold Hoyt, Esq.* of New York, has given proof of his warm regard for the Parish of his ancestors, by bequeathing to it five thousand dollars.

CHRIST CHURCH, STRATFORD.

REV. ALFRED A. MILLER, RECTOR.

Number of families, 82; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 6, total, 7; confirmed, 16; communicants—added by removal, 3, new, 17, died, 3, removed, 29, present number, 107; marriages, 3; burials, 14; Sunday school teachers, 13; scholars, 75; services on Sundays, 102; other days, 30; collections for general missions, \$61 40; for Sunday schools, \$23 40; communion alms, \$38 77; total, \$123 87. The present Rector has been in charge of this Parish since the first Sunday in July, 1842, and is happy to report improvement in its temporal concerns, and, as he trusts, in its spiritual condition. The number of families in connection with it is larger, and the attendance on all occasions of public worship has been increasing. There has also been evidenced a spirit of readiness to co-operate with their Pastor in all plans for good, which, while gratifying and cheering to his own heart, affords the best promise for the future, of permanent prosperity.

The plan of "monthly collections for all Church objects," is to be introduced, and would have been begun on Sunday last, but circumstances prevented, which delay must account for our not reporting any collection in aid of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, which, it is intended, shall receive the first proceeds of our Parish offerings.

In this matter, as in others of deep interest and importance, much yet remains to be done, but in view of the past, we take courage for future effort and trust to God's blessing in the faithful use of those means which He has provided in His Church, for the spiritual welfare of all men.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHESHIRE.

REV. FREDERICK MILLER, MINISTER.

Families, 57; communicants—added by removal, 6, anew, 9, lost by death, 3, by removal, 2, present number, 100; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 1; marriages, 4; burials, 5; Sunday school teachers, 8; scholars, 30; Bible class, 12; contributions for missionary and charitable purposes, \$47 84. The Parish is in a state of usual prosperity, and the congregation is somewhat increased.

CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLE HADDAM.

REV. S. NASH, RECTOR.

Divine worship at the Church has been generally well attended. A vestry room has been added to the church edifice, rendering it much more convenient; besides which considerable improvements have been made about the pulpit and chancel, through the instrumentality of the ladies of the Sewing Circle, who with untiring industry and perseverance have continued their efforts, and have aided essentially in sustaining public worship, and have moreover given thirty dollars to the funds of our general missionary society. But the parish has suffered serious loss in the removal of an influential family and five communicants, and in the death of one of the most active and efficient of our number. Present number of communicants, 46; baptism, infant, 1; burials, 4; marriages,

4. A small Sunday school has been kept in operation ; a monthly concert of prayer for missions held ; and occasional services in various parts of the Parish.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

The condition of this Parish is nearly the same as when last reported. By the organization of a new Parish in Southbury, the connection of a few families has been changed, but additions from other quarters, have in some degree compensated for the loss. Their present number is from 60 to 65 ; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 10 ; communicants—added anew, 3, lost by removal, 1, present number, 45 ; burials, 8 ; marriages, 5 ; Sunday school teachers, 7 ; scholars, 50 ; Church offerings, \$35.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUAKER'S FARMS, OXFORD.

REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 48 ; baptisms—adults, 3, infants, 8 ; communicants—added anew, 2, by removal, 1, lost by removal, 3, present number, 33 ; Sunday school teachers, 10 ; scholars, 47 ; marriage, 1 ; burials, 6 ; contributions, \$16.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GLASTENBURY.

REV. G. HUNTINGTON NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 63, and 8 nominally attached to the Parish ; baptisms—infants, 10, adults, 8, total 18 ; confirmed, 13 ; communicants—lost by death, 1, by removal, 6, added anew, 9, whole number, 109 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 6 ; Sunday school teachers, 8 ; children, 50.

The system of monthly offerings of the Church was established July last, and has resulted quite successfully ; the contributions for missionary and charitable purposes being \$63 93. In the stead of a Bible class, a regular Wednesday evening lecture was on the last autumn established, which has apparently resulted, through the blessing of God, as greatly instrumental to the spiritual benefit of the Parish. The regular services of the Lenten season, together with the daily services of Passion week, were not, we trust, without a most salutary influence upon the moral and religious character of the Church. With unfeigned gratitude to the great Head of the Church, I must add that there is much left undone by us ; there is much also for which we ought to "thank God and take courage."

REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS.

From Sunday the 10th of July last until Easter, I officiated in the Parish of St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, the Rector being under the necessity of suspending his duties from ill health. I am happy, however, to learn that he is now officiating with renewed vigor. During this period, I have performed the following official acts, viz. baptisms, adults, 2 ; children, 5 ; funerals, 3. This parish will rank behind few in sound and enlightened views of the Church,—in a firm adherence to her pure and primitive faith, discipline and usages. Having secured its temporal prosperity upon a surer basis, may its spiritual prosperity never experience any decline. In addition to the above, I have rendered some occasional services.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW CANAAN.

REV. DAVID OGDEN, RECTOR.

Soon after the last Convention, I was compelled, on account of ill health, to resign the charge of my Parish; since which time, up to Easter, it was under the pastoral care of the Rev. George W. Nichols. Most of the year I have spent in seeking, by travel and freedom from all responsibility, the re-establishment of health; which, by the kindness of Providence, was so far granted, as to enable me to resume at Easter my former charge. The Parish has undergone no change worthy of special notice since the last annual Report.

Families, 53; communicants—added anew, 8; lost by death, 2; by removals, 9; whole number, 78; baptisms—adults, 5; infants, 10; marriages, 2; funerals, 6; confirmed, 9; Sunday School teachers, 14; scholars, 60; missionary and charitable contributions, \$31.

CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.

REV. S. B. PADDOCK, RECTOR.

Families, 153; baptisms—infants, 23; adults, 6; total, 29; communicants—added, 23; lost by removal, 16; by death, 3; present number, 169; marriages, 8; burials, 18, of which 7 were extra-parochial; Sunday School teachers, 30; scholars, 180; missionary and charitable contributions, about \$350.

Confirmation has not been administered in the Parish the past year. A number are waiting for this holy ordinance, who will immediately after on receiving it, be admitted to the holy Communion. The usual amount of clerical labor has been performed in the parish the last year, and with the usual success. Besides the ordinary Sunday services provided for by the Church, there is always a third service in the evening, when ordinarily prayers are read by the Rector, and a sermon by one of the lay-brethren. Thursday evening lectures are continued through the year. The Sunday School is under the charge of a pious, faithful and efficient superintendent, aided by a devoted body of teachers, and promises much for the future welfare of the Church. A new library containing more than 500 volumes, comprising all the books published and recommended by the S. S. Union, has been procured for its use the past winter.

It will be seen on reference to the journals, that the same number of families have been reported for two or three successive years. More cannot be, without more Church accommodation. Several families, and single individuals, and some of them old established Churchmen, have been unable to procure seats. The temporal and spiritual condition of the Church may therefore be regarded as healthy, though no increase can be expected without an increase of room.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. WM. PAYNE, RECTOR.

Families, 90; baptisms—adults, 8; infants, 3; confirmations, 34; communicants—added by removals, 3; anew, 25; lost by death, 3; by removal, 6; total, 121; marriages, 6; burials, 16; Sunday School teachers, 15; scholars, 95; missionary and charitable contributions—for Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$50; for Prot. Epis. Tract Society, \$2,50; for building a Church in Bradleyville, \$160; on hand and unappropriated, \$35; total, for objects without the Parish, \$247,50.

The above statistics exhibit as full and correct a view of the outward condition of the Parish, as the Rector can give. God only can judge of its spiritual state. In this respect, while He doubtless sees much to condemn, we humbly hope there has been a decided improvement.

CHURCH AT BRADLEYVILLE.

REV. E. M. PORTER, MINISTER.

Families, about 27; baptisms—adults, 2; communicants—lost by death, 1; present number, 27; marriages, 1; burials, 2; Sunday School teachers, 11; scholars, 35. There are several other families who are in the habit, some of occasional, others of constant attendance at Church, but who cannot properly be considered as belonging there.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON.

REV. E. M. PORTER, MINISTER.

Families, 44; baptisms—children, 2; adults, 4; total, 6; confirmations, 17, (*eleven* of whom belonging to the congregation in Bradleyville;) communicants—lost by death, 2; added anew, 2; present number, 49; burials, 4; Sunday School teachers, 8; scholars, about 30; missionary and charitable collection, \$3.09.

The present minister entered upon his labors here and at Bradleyville in September last, and has officiated, since then, in each place regularly on alternate Sundays. The Church in these places was found very much depressed and disconsolate, having been for nearly three years without regular services, except a small part of the time, when they were supplied by the Rev. Mr. Eastman. A very unusual religious interest prevailed in Bradleyville during the last winter, the salutary effects of which will long be felt. It may be proper to state, that all who were confirmed at the late visit of the Bishop, are intending to join the Communion at the first opportunity,—this being, in all cases, insisted on as a prerequisite to presentation to that solemn rite. In justice I may add, that one reason why the collections and contributions, as reported, are so few and small, is, that in Milton, upwards of \$100, principally the results of a sale by the ladies of the congregation, has been appropriated to repairing and painting the Church; and in Bradleyville, a Church edifice is in progress, towards the erection of which the principal part has been subscribed within the limits of the congregation; and which, it is expected, will be ready for consecration the ensuing fall.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, POQUETONNOCK.

REV. DEXTER POTTER, RECTOR.

Families, 48; communicants, 29—added anew, 46, died, 2, total, 73; baptisms—adults, 25, infants, 4; burials, 9; marriages, 2; Sabbath School teachers, 10, scholars, about 60; contributions, \$10.

The labors of the past year, under the blessing of God, have produced a large accession to our Communion; which has placed the Church here, we trust, on a permanent foundation. On the arrival of the Bishop, Confirmation will be performed, when, it is expected, more will be added to the Communion.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WILTON.

REV. JOHN FURVES, RECTOR.

Families, 53; confirmations, 19; baptisms—adults, 4, infants, 5, total, 9; communicants—lost by removal, 1, added, 6, total, 58; marriages, 1; burials, 5.

CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.

REV. N. S. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.

Families, 141; baptisms—infants, 11, adults, 8; confirmed, 12; communicants—added by removal, 4, anew, 19, lost by death, 2, removal, 7; marriages, 9; burials, 11; Sunday school teachers, 18; scholars, 140; missionary and charitable contributions, \$161 42. The above statistics indicate the present condition of this Parish. The religious excitements which have prevailed during the past year, in nearly every adjoining town, have not only not reached this quiet and staid community, but have, for certain obvious reasons, tended rather than otherwise to produce a revulsion of religious feeling, being connected in the minds of many with some of the strange errors of the day. A rapid growth of the Church in a community like this is not to be looked for, but a sure and steady progress may, with the divine blessing upon our faithful endeavors, be confidently anticipated. During the past year, we think there has been a decided advance among us in spiritual things. Notwithstanding the hardness of the times, the pressure of which is not yet removed at all from agriculturists, this Parish have recently, with great unanimity, subscribed money sufficient to purchase the excellent organ now standing in the Church.

The attacks upon the Episcopal Church, which during the past year have become more systematic and virulent, have imposed the duty of presenting with greater distinctness, the order and doctrine of the Apostolic Church, and of counteracting a leading idea of modern teaching, to wit, that *divine truth* and *divine institutions* are like natural science, susceptible of improvement. It is proper to state, that the services at four of the above burials, were performed by the kindness of the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, during a protracted indisposition of the Rector.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.

REV. RODNEY ROSSITER, RECTOR.

Families, about 50; baptisms, 11; 2 adults, 9 infants; confirmed, 4; communicants—lost by death, 3, added anew, 8, present number, 73; marriages, 13; burials, 10; 4 of them belonging in neighboring towns, or not belonging to the Episcopal Parish; Sunday school teachers, 9; scholars, 56; missionary contributions \$39 50, viz. to Domestic Missions, \$23; Foreign Missions, \$14; Christian Knowledge Society, \$2 50.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WAREHOUSE POINT, EAST WINDSOR.

REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, MINISTER.

Number of families, 40; baptisms—adults, 6; confirmed, 8; communicants—11, added, 10, whole number, 21; marriages, 8; burials, 9; Sunday school scholars, 50; teachers, 10. When I took charge of this Parish about a year since, it was in a very feeble and desolate state. This Parish had been, the year previous, without a clergyman, and the

Church had been shut. Strong fears were entertained by the few friends of the Church in this place, that its services could be no longer sustained. But by the divine blessing, the result has been otherwise. Services have been sustained without interruption. The common prejudices and objections against the Church have been removed. The distinctive principles and features of the Church are much better understood and appreciated. A goodly number have learned the use of the prayer book, and join audibly in the responses. Our congregation has been all the while increasing, and it is now at least four times as large as it was a year ago. The exterior of our church edifice has been thoroughly repaired and beautified. The pulpit and reading desk have been furnished with a new Bible and Prayer book; one hundred volumes have been added to our Sunday school library. The ladies of the Parish have formed a Sewing Society, and hold their meetings once a week. It may be seen then from this report, that this Parish, which seemed almost fated to extinction, has revived, and is now probably in a better condition than it ever has been before; and the present prospects of this Parish are, that it will continue to gain in numbers, in strength and in the confidence of the community. May the Lord add continually unto it such as shall be saved.

REV. GEORGE C. SHEPHERD.

Since I last reported to the Convention, I have twice visited Europe. My first tour was undertaken for the purpose of obtaining useful information, and was extended over Britain, and the most interesting portions of the Eastern Continent. Upon my return home, while engaged in the discharge of ministerial duty, in Charleston, S. C., my health gave way; and by the advice of physicians, I was induced to make another similar excursion in the Eastern world. This, by the blessing of God, proved successful in the restoration of my health, so as to enable me, on my return last autumn, to engage once more in preaching the Gospel. The last winter I passed in South Carolina, and chiefly in the city of Charleston, where I officiated almost every Sunday, and preached about thirty times. Since my return to the North, this season, I have been constantly occupied, supplying St. John's Church, Jamaica Plains, in the town of Roxbury, Massachusetts.

REV. HENRY BEERS SHERMAN.

During the past conventional year I have been without a Rectorship; and would report in general the ministerial duties I have performed. Baptisms—adults, 4, children, 7; marriages, 2; burials, 6. I am at present officiating in Christ Church, Middletown; but as the parochial records have, by mistake, been carried out of the Parish, I am unable to supply the yearly report.

UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

REV. JOHN D. SMITH, RECTOR.

Families, 120; baptisms—adults, 8, infants, 30; communicants—added, 10, died or removed, 5, present number, 75; marriages, 11; burials, 18; contribution to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, \$7. It is now two years since this Parish commenced sustaining clerical services on all the Sundays of the year, and the present prospects are favorable to the continuance of such an arrangement for some

time to come. Lectures have been held in different parts of the Parish during the season of Lent, with good success, and the present prospects of the Parish are very encouraging.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HUNTINGTON.

● REV. GEO. A. STERLING, RECTOR.

Families, about 51; baptisms—adults, 22; confirmations, 41, which, added to the present number of communicants, will increase them to 75.

It will be seen from the foregoing that this Parish has been highly blessed of God during the past year.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

REV. SABURA S. STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families, 201; baptisms, 46—infants, 38, adults, 8; confirmed, 28; communicants—added, 21, by removals, 6, lost by death, 5, present number, 216; marriages, 5; burials, 25; Sunday school teachers, 30, scholars at present, 175; the number will probably increase during the season to about 200. Missionary and charitable contributions, together with the money raised by a system of weekly offerings and otherwise, during the past year, have been appropriated as follows:

To objects without the limits of the Parish.

For the Church Scholarship Society, \$10; for Christian Knowledge Society, \$20; for two destitute Parishes, \$30; for Domestic Missions, \$100; for Foreign Missions, \$65 50. In the sum appropriated for general missions are included—amount of Quinquagesima collection, \$81, the first quarterly payment of the Ladies Missionary Association, \$30, the gift of a female communicant for Jubilee College, \$40, the gift of Sunday school scholars to the same, \$4 50, to the Parish in Jonesville, Mich., \$10.

To objects within the limits of the Parish.

For books for Sunday school and choir, \$27; for 10 copies of Spirit of Missions for gratuitous distribution, \$10; for 60 copies of Children's Magazine for Sunday school, \$12; for the poor in the Parish, \$30 61. To this should be added an appropriation for repairing the organ, \$45; and other incidental expenses during the year, \$162 42; making the whole amount raised in the Parish during the last year, (exclusive of the Rector's salary,) \$512 53.

To the above report the Rector would simply add his belief in the continued union and prosperity of the Parish.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STAMFORD.

REV. ARBROSE S. TODD, RECTOR.

Families, 112; baptisms—infants, 7, adults, 8; confirmed, 18; communicants—added anew, 12, whole number, 149; marriages, 5; burials, 12; Sunday school teachers, 10, scholars, 77; missionary and charitable contributions, \$80 42; exclusive of those connected with the Parish—collection for Christian Knowledge Society, \$18.

Since my last annual report a new Church has been begun and completed. It was consecrated on the 19th of last April. The building is 48 feet by 70, exclusive of the tower and recess, and is finished throughout in the Gothic style. Great credit is due to Mr. Thomas P. Dixon, the architect and builder, for the ability and correctness with which he

has executed his contract with the Building Committee, and the thorough acquaintance he has evinced with architectural science.

Although our new Church affords nearly, if not quite, double the number of sittings with the old, eight only of the pews remain unrented, and it is believed these will be taken up in a short time. Our most sanguine expectations have been more than realized.

During the past year, the services of the Church, other than those appointed for the Lord's Day, especially those of the Lenten Fast, have been well and seriously attended.

At no period since my connection with St. John's Parish, a period of 20 years, have its prospects appeared to me more flattering than now. In looking back upon the past, my heart devoutly responds to the declaration of the Prophet, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us," and forward to the future, my prayer is to Him who alone can give the increase, and bless the labors of those who serve in the vineyard of his "One Catholic and Apostolic Church."

CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.

REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, LATE RECTOR.

Families, about the same as reported last year, from 80 to 85; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 3; communicants—added anew, 8, by removal, 2, died, 3, removed, 3, present number, 90; marriages, 6; burials, 9; Sunday school teachers, 11, scholars, about 70. The monthly collections of "Offerings," amount only to \$17 49; an evidence, in the judgment of the late Rector, of inattention to the matter on the part of the people; it is hoped, however, that their piety in this respect will have, the present year, a more *practical* aspect. The special missionary collection on Quinquagesima Sunday, was \$17 26. Some small collections in addition to the above, for parochial purposes, were also taken up.

The spiritual condition of the Parish is, in some respects, more favorable than last year; but its greater advance in piety, it is much feared, has been hindered by unhappy variances among themselves.

The late Rector, though somewhat improved in health, felt himself still inadequate to the duties of the Parish, and accordingly at Easter resigned charge of it. It is his earnest desire that the blessing of the God of our salvation, of righteousness and peace, may rest upon his late charge.

CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, LATE RECTOR.

Families, 40; baptisms—infants, 8, adults, 1; communicants—added anew, 4, lost by death, 2, present number, 41; marriages, 2; burials, 4; Sunday school teachers, 6, scholars, 30; contributions for objects out of the Parish, Domestic Missions, \$15.

Easter Sunday last terminated my connection with this Parish, which had most happily existed three and a half years, (the extent of my ministry,) during which, by the blessing of God upon my labors, some apparent good to the cause of Christ and the Church has been effected, and many interesting and pleasurable events transpired, calculated strongly to endear and attach both minister and people.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW HAVEN, (WESTVILLE.)

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families, 30 ; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 5 ; confirmed, 12 ; communicants—added anew, 4, by removals, 2, lost by removal, 7, present number, 24 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 5 ; Sunday school teachers, 6, scholars, 25 ; contributions—amount of "Monthly offerings," \$22 26 ; appropriated to Domestic Missions, \$7, Christian Knowledge Society, \$5, and the remainder to objects within the Parish, Sunday schools, &c.

The occupation of this people being almost wholly *mechanical*, and the instability and prostration of business of late, in the manufacturing department, have rendered the population of this village very fluctuating, and for the last year much weakened its numerical strength ; but the zeal and perseverance of those who remain are worthy of all praise, and if along with these qualities were superadded ability in the way of competency and wealth, they would, at once, surmount all obstacles, liquidate the debt incurred by the late erection of their edifice, and without aid from abroad, become established upon a permanent basis ; but since this is not their portion, at present they are obliged to solicit still further assistance, and while they most gratefully acknowledge the kindness of benefactors, they have the happy consciousness of believing that their charities have not been bestowed in vain, and that none who have it in their power, will become weary in well doing.

One evidence that this Parish is making a laudable and vigorous effort in their present emergency, to rise above despondency, and maintain a respectable standing, is their liberality in obtaining the means of religious and Church knowledge through the medium of approved periodicals. 12 copies of the "Church Chronicle and Record," 9 of the "Spirit of Missions," and 25 of the "Children's Magazine," are subscribed for. It is confidently believed, that if all the Parishes in the Diocese would, in the like proportion to their ability, patronize the publications of the Church, they would find themselves much edified, strengthened, and built up in the most Holy faith, and by such an effort, the various periodicals would not languish for want of a liberal support.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHLEM.

REV. ISAAC H. TUTTLE, RECTOR.

Families, 42 ; baptisms—infants, 3 ; confirmed, 4 ; communicants—added anew, 4, by removals, 3, lost by death, 2, by removal, 3, total, 55 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 5 ; Sunday school teachers, 7, scholars, 32 ; Bible class, 13.

A severe storm, on the day of the Bishop's visitation prevented several of the candidates for confirmation from being present. We are happy to state, that by the subscription of a few individuals, to upwards of \$200, the Society has been entirely cleared of a debt which had been increasing since the building of the Church. Missionary contributions without the Parish, \$18 40. The efforts of this small congregation show to some extent a just appreciation of the Zion of their love.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

REV. THOMAS H. VAIL, RECTOR.

Families, 55 ; baptisms, 16—1 adult ; confirmations, 0 ; communicants—lost by death, 3, by removal, 4, added anew, 4, by removal, 3, total, 72 ;

marriages, 2; burials, 5; Sunday school scholars, about 50, teachers, 12; missionary and charitable contributions, \$71.

It will be perceived by the foregoing report that the list of communicants in this Parish has been subjected to a greater loss than has occurred in any previous year, and although there has been no extraordinary increase, yet we thank God, that our whole number has not diminished. A few new families—quite important accessions to the temporal strength of the Parish—have been added. Our number of baptisms is considerably greater than in any previous year, and more will be soon performed. And there has been a gain, in our missionary and charitable collections, upon any former report. This is a good sign of spiritual prosperity, and I would say, that this gain is not by any special or spasmodic effort, but a steady increase in our regular monthly collections. An addition of nearly one third has been made to the Church building, which is now undergoing extensive repairs. at an expense which will probably amount to nearly \$500; and this extra expense has been met entirely by the internal resources of the Parish.

There is a more general attention among parents to the duty of offering their children to Christ in Infant Baptism; a greater regularity and frequency in the reception of the Holy communion; a stricter regard for proprieties in the regulation of Parish concerns; and a more hearty appreciation and a more careful understanding of the various institutions and of the whole scriptural system of the Church. It seems to be a law of nature, that the body which has grown up with more than its usual rapidity, to a given height, should have an interval of repose wherein its general proportions of strength shall be filled out. Such, in our Parish, is, at this time, we trust, the increase of strength and the establishment of faith and habitual obedience. Except it be thus established, strengthened and settled, the Parish, like the body, will but hasten to an earlier and an incurable decline. We will thank God for his grace already bestowed, and pray that He may fit us for new measures of His quickening Spirit, for the Redeemer's sake.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

REV. WILLIAM WARLAND, RECTOR.

Families, 40; communicants—added by removals, 5, anew, 1; lost by death, 1, present number, 33; marriages, 3; burials, 3; Sunday school teachers, 5, scholars, 35; Bible class, 10; Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$5.

The present incumbent has had charge of this Parish since September last, for which period alone the above report is made. About \$200 have been expended in repairing the church edifice, and the improvements have contributed much to its beauty and convenience. The regular services of the Lord's day have thus far been well attended, as well as the extra lectures in Lent; and the people, apparently devout, have listened with seriousness to the preached word. Several persons are in readiness to receive the rite of confirmation. May there be many proofs in this Parish, that the preaching of Christ crucified is indeed the power of God unto salvation.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. WILLIAM WATSON, RECTOR.

Families, 108; baptisms—infants, 9, adults, 12, total, 21; confirmed, 23; communicants—added by removals, 7, anew, 35, lost by death, 4,

removals, 9, present number, 227; marriages, 6; burials, 10; Sunday school teachers, 16, scholars, 126; Bible class, 25; missionary and charitable contributions—Church missions *without* the Diocese, equally divided between the Foreign and Domestic departments, \$70 19, Gen. Theological Sem. \$10, for the support of Theophilus Morris in one of our mission schools in Africa, from the pupils of the Sunday school, \$20, for the S. P. C. K. \$50, Church Scholarship Society, from the Ladies' Education Society, \$50, total for objects *without* the Parish, \$200 19. In consequence of a thorough revision of the list of communicants, the aggregate number is not as large as the additions would otherwise have made it. The diminished number reported as belonging to the Bible class, is the result, not of a falling off of its members, but of a discontinuance of two of its branches by the Rector, in consequence of his enfeebled health not allowing of his attending to them. A course of sermons on the catechism, for the special benefit of the youth of the Sunday school, has been commenced. These discourses are so interspersed with question and answer as to make them proper catechetical exercises, as well as sermons. They are delivered on the afternoon of every communion Sunday, to the whole congregation. We are also trying to carry out the system of the Church, both in the way of giving prominence to her distinctive doctrines, and by duly observing all her stated seasons and holy days. And in this we trust that we are "travelling" "not to Rome," but "home to God, in the way the fathers trod." The more we walk in these "old paths," the better we like them. The present effect of this course here, is perhaps, best shown by a reference to the above statistics.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHANY.

REV. F. B. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants and children, 5, adults, 3; marriages, 3; burials, 22; confirmed, 34; communicants—removed by death or absent, 18, added anew, 38, present number, 128. Several of these are unable to attend Church in consequence of the infirmities of age and disease; Sunday school and Bible class a little increased from the last report. There are about 55 families who do something to sustain a clergyman, and the institutions of the Church. Beside these, within the limits of the town there are 40 or 50 families, which in times of affliction would probably apply for the service of a minister, especially to bury their dead; though they might not regard the *hire* of the laborer in such a manner as would in any way tend to *prolong his existence*. There has been an uncommon degree of religious interest in the town, a large portion of which was connected with our church, *unattended* with "the midnight cry," or the distractions of Millerism. To sustain this interest—to guide and direct the inquirer in the way of peace, and impress the minds of the community with the importance of preparing for a dying hour, that at "the second coming of Christ they might be found an acceptable people," weekly services have been held in different parts of the Parish, through the winter, in addition to the duties of the sanctuary; and by the aid of a clerical brother, these services were sustained through the season of Lent, apparently for our spiritual good. When the weather is tolerable, the attendance at the sanctuary is good, and the motives of some, especially among the young, decidedly changed; because instead of coming to the house of God, to trifle or to scoff, they now come to pray. God be praised for his goodness and mercy, through Jesus Christ. I would also add that the proprietors of the Parsonage are now repairing their house, so as to make it pleasant and comfortable for a resident clergyman, if means

can be raised for his support; to accomplish which, some few individuals subscribe liberally. Finally, we continue to hope that Providence will bless all those who have the *disposition* to do good, with the *means* to perform it; and that He will bless all those who have the *means*, with that *spirit* of enlarged benevolence which freely sustains the institutions of the Church, and aids to proclaim "the Gospel to every creature."

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, MILFORD.

REV. FERDINAND E. WHITE, MINISTER.

I have had charge of this Parish since the first Sunday of February last. Since its recent connection with the Parish of East Haven, the services of the Church have been held in the two places on alternate Sundays. The report of Christ Church, East Haven, will be given, it is believed, by its late Rector. That of St. George's Church, Milford, is as follows, comprising only the time of my own connection with it. Families, 32; baptisms—adults, 4, children, 2; confirmed, 7; communicants—added by removal, 1, anew, 7, lost by removal, 3, present number, 41; marriages, 1; burials, 1; missionary and charitable contributions, \$9 95. The Church was open once a week during the season of Lent. It has also been opened on the Saints' days, for morning prayers and for evening prayers and a lecture. No Sunday school has been organized, but the children are regularly catechised, openly in the Church, immediately after the morning service. A spirit of harmony in conjunction with an increasing attachment to the principles of the Church characterizes the members of the Parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENWICH.

REV. E. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 12, adults, 6; confirmed, 5; communicants—added by removal, 1, anew, 9, lost by removal, 4, deaths, 3; marriages, 4; burials, 14; Sunday school teachers, 8, scholars, 50; missionary contributions, Greenwich, \$65 07, Glenville, \$20, total, \$85 07. It appears from the statistics that death has been dealing with us,—has removed some whose examples were pure and bright, and who dearly loved the Church of God. But under the Divine blessing, this Parish continues to prosper. In addition to the Sunday morning and afternoon services, I have preached every Sunday evening in Emmanuel Chapel, Glenville. During the solemn season of Lent, the Parish Church was regularly open twice each week, for Divine service; and in no past year of her history has the attendance been so large. May the Sanctifier of the faithful continue to visit this congregation with his love and favor, and so lead them in the knowledge of the Divine Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life.

CHRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON.

REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families, 44; baptisms—children, 12, adults, 13, total 25; confirmed, 21; communicants—added by removals, 4, anew, 15, lost by death, 1, by removals, 1, total, 45; marriage, 1; burials, 4; Sunday school teachers, 5, scholars, 21; Bible class, composed of young persons under the immediate care of the Rector, 30; missionary and charitable contributions, \$20. This Parish is united, and in other respects in a prosperous condition; and it is believed that the divine blessing will, as heretofore, under

the ministrations of its former pastor, accompany the zeal and well-directed efforts of its members.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOLCOTTVILLE.

REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

On my removal into this diocese in June, 1842, I commenced preaching in this flourishing village on every fourth Sunday, which arrangement continued till Easter, 1843, since which my time has been equally divided between Harwinton and Wolcottville. About twelve years ago, Episcopal services were held for a short period in this place, not long enough however to lead to a knowledge of the excellencies of the Liturgy, or the catholicity and antiquity of the rites, ceremonies and doctrines of the Church, so that I found it necessary to make an effort to build up a congregation from those who were almost entire strangers to our mode of worship; and I have reason to believe that the blessing of God has rested on my exertions. A Parish has been organized under the name of "Trinity Church, Wolcottville;" the attendance on public worship is good; a laudable zeal is manifested by the vestry and members of the Society, and it is to be hoped that before long, a neat house of prayer may be erected.

I have also had the temporary charge of "Union Church, Hitchcocksville," from June, 1842, till Easter, 1843. The congregation is not large in numbers, but those who are attached to the Church are active,—ready to support the institutions of the Gospel, according to their several ability; and it is believed, if the people there can obtain an able minister of the New Testament, that our Zion will "lengthen her cords, and strengthen her stakes." Families, 20; baptisms—infants, 2; communicants, 10.

In addition to the above regular Sunday services, I have lectured on week days, and Sunday evenings, in Harwinton, sixty times—Wolcottville, ten times—old Episcopal Church, Barkhamsted Centre, twice—Avon, once—New Hartford, once—Winsted, in the Methodist meeting-house, once.

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—1843.

Families in 74 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	5,754
do. in 10 Parishes,* from which no Report has this year been received, according to the latest previous Report,						560
					total,	6,314
Baptisms in 76 Parishes, infants,	-	-	-	-	755	
do. do. do. adults,	-	-	-	-	476	
					total,	1,231
Confirmations in 41 Parishes,	-	-	-	-	-	943

* Simsbury, Granby, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Windham, Middletown, Saybrook, Salem, Derby, and Wolcott. The Parishes of Southington, Woodbridge and Canaan are not estimated.

Communicants in 74 Parishes, added (imperfect,)	1,166
do. do. do. lost (imperfect,)	414
Present number in 75 Parishes,	6,975
Number in 10 Parishes from which no Report has this year been received, according to the latest pre- vious Report,	492
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	total,
Marriages in 64 Parishes,	7,467
Burials in 69 Parishes,	335
Sunday Schools in 58 Parishes—Teachers,	649
do. do. Scholars,	844
Missionary and charitable contributions in 55 Parishes,	4,591
	\$8,370 07

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION, 1843.

**RT. REV. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D., Bishop; residing
at Hartford.**

Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rector of St. James' Church, Derby.

Rev. William Atwill, Minister, Christ Church, Reading.

***Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, residing at Stratford.**

**Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Guilford,
and Union Church, Killingworth.**

**Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley, Principal of the Episcopal Academy,
Cheshire.**

Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.

***Rev. George Benton, Missionary to Crete.**

Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.

Rev. Edward C. Bull, Rector of Christ Church, Westport.

**Rev. Alexander Burgess, Minister of St. Stephen's Church, East
Haddam.**

Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.

Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., Rector of St. James' Church, Newtown.

Rev. Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.

Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.

**Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven, and
Editor of the Church Chronicle.**

Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury.

Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's Church, Bridgeport.

Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Southport.

Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.

Rev. A. C. Coxe, Rector of St. John's Church, Hartford.

Rev. Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Parish, New Haven.

Rev. J. T. Cushing, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.

***Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, residing at Litchfield.**

Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.

Rev. Charles W. Everest, Minister of Grace Church, Hamden.
 Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector of St. John's Church, North Haven, and St. Andrew's Church, Northford.
 Rev. George L. Foota, Minister of Christ Church, Roxbury, and St. Andrew's Church, Kent, and St. John's Church, Washington.
 Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hebron.
 *Rev. George S. Gordon, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, New Preston, and St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.
 Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Britain.
 Rev. Thomas T. Guion, Minister of St. James' Church and St. Thomas' Chapel, Danbury.
 Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James' Church, New London.
 Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.
 Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Northfield.
 Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.
 Rev. Warner Hoyt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.
 Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford.
 Rev. Edward J. Ives, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.
 Rev. Abner Jackson, Professor of Chemistry in Washington College.
 Rev. Samuel Farmar Jarvis, D. D., residing at Middletown.
 *Rev. William Jarvis, residing at Portland.
 Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.
 *Rev. Isaac Jones, residing at Litchfield.
 Rev. P. P. Kidder, Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.
 *Rev. Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.
 Rev. William C. Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
 Rev. A. A. Miller, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.
 Rev. Frederick Miller, jr., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.
 Rev. William F. Morgan, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish, New Haven.
 Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.
 Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish, New Haven.
 Rev. Abel Nichols, Rector of Christ Church, Oxford.
 Rev. Geo. H. Nichols, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.
 Rev. David Ogden, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.
 Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.
 Rev. William Payne, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.
 Rev. Emery M. Porter, Minister of the Churches of Milton and Bradleyville.
 Rev. Dexter Potter, Rector of St. James' Church, Preston, (Poque-tonnuck.)
 Rev. John Purves, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.
 Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.
 Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Monroe.
 *Rev. T. S. Savage, Missionary to Africa.
 Rev. Joseph Scott, Minister of St. John's Church, Warehouse Point.
 Rev. John D. Smith, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.
 *Rev. Albert Spooner.
 Rev. G. A. Sterling, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Huntington.
 Rev. Servilius Stocking, officiating in St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.
 Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.
 Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector of St. John's Church, Stamford.
 Rev. David G. Tomlinson.

Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., President of Washington College, Hartford.
 Rev. Henry Townsend, Minister of St. James' Church, Westville.
 Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.
 Rev. Thomas H. Vail, Rector of St. John's Church, Essexborough,
 (Saybrook.)
 Rev. William Warland, jr., Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.
 *Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Tariffville,
 (Simsbury.)
 Rev. William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.
 Rev. Ferdinand E. White, Minister of St. George's Church, Milford,
 and Christ Church, East Haven.
 Rev. Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.
 Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.
 Rev. Henry M. Zell, Rector of Trinity Parish, Wolcottville, and
 Christ Church, Harwinton.

Total, 78.

Clergymen to whose names an asterisk (*) is prefixed, were not present during the session of the Convention.

CLERGY NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1843.

Rev. Richard A. Adams,	Rev. E. W. Wiltbank,
" J. D. Berry,	" J. H. Hanson,
" B. Benham,	" G. W. Nichols,
" P. G. Clark,	" T. G. Salter,
" E. J. Darken,	" R. Shaw,
" Z. H. Mansfield,	" H. B. Sherman,
" B. G. Noble,	" Geo. C. Shepard,
" G. S. White,	" H. Stanley,
" M. Wilcox,	" J. Morgan.—20.
" Wm. G. French,	" C. W. Bradley, of N. Y.
" Henry De Koven,	

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Giles Deshon.	Junius M. Willey.
Benjamin G. Whitman.	Thomas M. Peters.
Isaac G. Hubbard.	William H. Clark.
Henry D. Noble.	Charles R. Fisher.
James G. Blair.	Charles H. Hall.
Wm. H. Frisbie.	George J. Geer.
James Bradin.	Henry Olmsted.

LIST OF THE PARISHES
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF
CONNECTICUT, 1843.

Hartford County.

Hartford, { Christ Church,
 { St. John's Church,
 West Society. { St. James' Parish, (West Hartford.)
 Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.
 Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.
 Granby, St. Peter's Church.
 East Windsor, (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.
 Southington, ——— Church.
 Bristol, Trinity Church.
 New Britain, St. Mark's Church.
 Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

Windham County.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.
 Pomfret, Christ Church.
 Windham, St. Paul's Church.

Middlesex County.

Middletown, Christ Church,
 Portland, Trinity Church.
 Middle Haddam, Christ Church.
 East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.
 Saybrook, { (Essex,) St. John's Church,
 { Grace Church.
 North Killingworth, Union Church.
 Haddam, Trinity Parish.

New London County.

New London, St. James' Church.
 Norwich, Christ Church.
 Preston, (Poquetonnuck,) St. James' Church.
 Salem, Christ Church.

New Haven County.

New Haven, { Trinity Church,
 { St. Paul's Chapel.
 { St. James' Church, (Westville.)
 Guilford, Christ Church.
 North Guilford, St. John's Church.
 Branford, Trinity Church.
 North Branford, Zion Church.
 East Haven, Christ Church.
 Fair Haven Village, St. James' Parish.
 North Haven, St. John's Church.

Northford, St. Andrew's Church.
 Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.
 Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.
 Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.
 Hamden, Grace Church.
 West Haven, Christ Church.
 Milford, St. George's Church.
 Derby, St. James' Church.
 Humphreysville, Union Church.
 Oxford, { St. Peter's Church.
 { Christ Church, (Quaker's Farms.)
 Waterbury, St. John's Church.
 Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.
 Woodbridge, Trinity Church.
 Middlebury, ——— Church.
 Bethany, Christ Church.
 Wolcott, All Saints' Church.
 Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.

Fairfield County.

Stratford, Christ Church.
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.
 Weston, ——— Church.
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.
 Stamford, St. John's Church.
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.
 Danbury, { St. James' Church.
 { St. Thomas' Chapel, (Bethel.)
 Reading, Christ Church.
 Newtown, { Trinity Church,
 { St. James' Church.
 Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.
 Huntington, St. Paul's Church.
 Monroe, St. Peter's Church.
 Trumbull, Christ Church.
 New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.
 Greenwich, Christ Church.
 Westport, Christ Church.

Litchfield County.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.
 Bradleyville, ——— Church.
 Milton, ——— Church.
 Northfield, Trinity Church.
 New Milford, St. John's Church.
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.
 Sharon, Christ Church.
 Kent, St. Andrew's Church.
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.
 Washington, St. John's Church.
 Salisbury, St. John's Church.
 Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.

Roxbury, Christ Church.

Watertown, Christ Church.

Canaan, ——— Church.

Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church,
 { St. Matthew's Church.

Hitchcocksville, Union Church.

Harwinton, Christ Church.

Wolcottville, Trinity Parish.

Tolland County.

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.

APPENDIX NO. II.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. Diocese of Connecticut in account with E. E. Beardsley, Treasurer. Cr.

1842.		1842.
July.	To Stationery,	\$1 00
22.	Cash paid Stanley & Chapin for printing 1000 copies of Journal, 1842,	140 52
Nov.	Balance due on re-print of early Journals,	84 97
28.	Paid for transcribing Journal,	1 50
	Postage on letters and pamphlets,	2 06
1843.	June Paid Stanley & Chapin for advertising notices of Standing Committee of Convention in Chronicle,	3 50
		<u>\$233 55</u>
	June. By balance in hand at the last Convention,	\$6 83
	" Cash received from sundry Parishes, as per Journal, 1842, pp. 51-2,	209 61
		<u>\$216 44</u>
	Balance due the Treasurer,	17 11
		<u>\$233 55</u>

PAYMENTS TO THE CONVENTION FUND, AS REQUIRED BY CANON II.

St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,	\$3 75
St. James' Church, Poquetonnock,	1 00
St. George's Church, Milford,	1 50
Trinity Church, Portland,	4 50
St. Mark's Church, New Canaan,	2 00
Christ Church, Middle Haddam, 1842-3,	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,	4 50
Trinity Parish, New Haven,	21 00
St. Peter's Church, Monroe,	2 00
Christ Church, Stratford,	3 00
St. James' Church, New London,	5 62
St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,	4 87
Christ Church, Greenwich,	3 75
St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,	3 37½
Christ Church, Norwich,	6 75
Christ Church, Bethany,	3 75
St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,	3 75
St. James' Church, Danbury, and St. Thomas' Chapel, Bethel,	3 7½

St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 25
Union Church, Humphreysville,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Trinity Church, Fairfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 50
Christ Church, Watertown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 50
St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 87½
Christ Church, Roxbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Christ Church, Westport,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 12½
St. John's Church, North Guilford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 50
All Saints' Church, Wolcott,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 25
St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 25
St. James' Church, Westville,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 12½
Christ Church, Middletown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 50
St. Paul's Church, Woodbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Christ Church, Hartford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9 00
St. John's Church, Essex,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Christ Church, Guilford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 75
Trinity Church, Newtown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 87½
St. John's Church, Warehouse Point,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. Peter's Church, Oxford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 50
St. John's Church, Waterbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 62½
Christ Church, Bethlehem,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 75
St. James' Church, Derby,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 50
St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Matthew's Church, Wilton,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 75
St. John's Church, Washington, 1842—3,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 62
St. John's Church, North Haven,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Andrew's Church, Northford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Paul's Church, Huntington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Grace Church, Hamden,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 18½
St. John's Church, Bridgeport,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 50
St. John's Church, Stamford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 50
St. Peter's Church, Hebron,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 50
St. John's Church, New Milford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 75
St. John's Church, Hartford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 50
St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. Andrew's Church, Meriden	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 75
Trinity Church, Bristol,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00

\$206 80

The following Parishes did not pay into the Convention Fund for the current year.

Branford,	Killingworth,	Reading,
Bradleyville,	Litchfield,	Salem,
Brooklyn,	Middlebury,	Saybrook,
Canaan,	Milton,	Sharon,
East Haven,	New Britain,	Simsbury,
Glastenbury,	New Preston,	Southington,
Granby,	Northfield,	Trumbull,
Harwinton,	North Branford,	Weston,
Kent,	Pomfret,	West Haven,
	Quaker's Farms,	Windham.

APPENDIX. NO. III.

*The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in account
with Samuel Farmer Jarvis, their Treasurer. DR.*

1842.

To cash paid at sundry times between June 14 and December 14, 1842, for arrearages of appropriations to Easter, 1842, according to Treasurer's Report, Journal of 1842, p. 55. 13 payments to 12 Parishes, viz.

Rev. Riverius Camp, Pomfret,	\$50	
" J. M. Guion, New Britain,	25	
" G. A. Sterling, Huntington,	35	
" Henry Townsend, Westville,	25	
" F. Holcomb, D. D., Harwinton,	25	
" S. Stocking, Wolcott,	25	
" Paschal P. Kidder, Branford,	25	
" O. Hopson, Naugatuck,	15	
" S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,	15	
" Joseph S. Covell, Bristol,	25	
" Isaac H. Tuttle, Bethlem,	25	
Mr. Ezra Foote, Treas. Middle Haddam,	25	
Rev. Sylvester Nash, " "	25	
	—	\$330

To cash paid for new appropriations made by the Board, June 15, 1842, but considered as due at Easter, 1842, 3 payments from June 15th to October 29th, as follows:

To Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury, contributions of Plymouth, Waterbury and Water-town, June 15,	\$50	
To Rev. G. S. Gordon, New Preston, July 12,	50	
To Hon. Samuel Church, for Salisbury, Oct. 29,	50	
	—	150

To cash paid for Michaelmas allowance appropriated by the Board, June 15th, from August 18th, 1842, to January 9, 1843, 17 payments to 17 parishes, as follows:

Rev. Dr. Burhans, Zoar,	\$30	
" A. B. Chapin, West Haven,	25	
" Henry Townsend, Westville,	25	
" G. A. Sterling, Huntington,	15	
" J. M. Guion, New Britain,	25	
" Henry Zell, Wolcottville,	25	
" J. H. Hanson, East Plymouth,	12	50
" B. M. Yarrington, Glenville,	25	
" Servilius Stocking, Wolcott,	25	
" William Atwill, Weston,	25	
" Robert Shaw, Northford,	25	
" Dexter Potter, Poquetonnuck,	25	
(Amount carried over.)	—	283 50

	(Amount brought over.)	\$283 50
Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,		15
" Isaac H. Tuttle, Bethlem,		25
" Joseph Scott, Warehousepoint,		25
" Joseph S. Covell, Bristol,		12 50
" George A. Foote, Kent,		25
1843.		<u>385</u>
To cash paid on the appropriations made by the Board, June 15th, 1842, for the allowance at Easter, 1843, from April 12th to June 12th, 1843, as follows :		
Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven,	\$25	
" Richard Adams, Pomfret, (whole amount for the year ending at Easter,	50	
" William Atwill, Weston,	25	
" J. H. Hanson, East Plymouth,	12 50	
" Henry Zell, Harwinton,	25	
" Robert Shaw, Northford,	25	
" Dexter Potter, Poquetonnuck,	25	
		<u>187 50</u>
Sundry postages during the past year, amounting in the whole to		1 10
Balance to be carried to new account,		518 22
		<u>\$1,571 82</u>

Errors excepted.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.**Per contra.*

1842.		
June 14.	By balance of last account as per Journal of 1842, p. 57,	\$428 49
" 15.	By net amount received at the Convention of 1842, as per Journal of 1842, p. 61,	754 61
" "	By interest due the 12th inst. on Miss Vashti Sher- man's legacy,	22 02
Aug. 1.	By cash from St. John's Church, Bridgeport, through Rev. Mr. Coit, Rector,	17 50
" "	By cash through Rev. Mr. Burgess from an unknown donor,	2 41
" 2.	By offerings from St. Peter's, Cheshire, through Rev. E. E. Beardsley,	5
Sept. 20.	By half-yearly divid. on two shares Phoenix Bank stock,	7
" 24.	By offerings from Christ Church, Hartford, through the Rector.	37 20
Oct. 4.	By offerings from St. James' Church, New London, through the Rector,	15
1843.		
Feb. 23.	By offerings from Christ Church, Hartford, through the Rector,	45 61
" "	By offerings from the Parish of Derby through the Rev. George Burgess,	13
" 28.	By offerings of Christ Church, Watertown, through Rev. N. S. Richardson, Rector, "to be appropriated to the parish of Kent, on condition that said Parish	
	(Amount carried over.)	<u>1,347 74</u>

	(Amount brought up.)	\$1,347 74
	shall lay before the Bishop previous to Easter, 1843, evidence of having raised \$100 in the Parish, and \$130 out of it, to pay its debt, - - - - -	25
May 4.	By amount of collection at last session of Convention, through Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rector of Trinity Par- ish, New Haven, - - - - -	4 4
" "	By offerings of Trinity Parish, New Haven, through the Rector, - - - - -	100
" 10.	By semi annual divid. on two shares Phoenix Bank stock,	7
June 12.	By offerings of Christ Church, Hartford, through the Rector, - - - - -	42 51
" "	By offerings from Mrs. Peck of Brookfield, through the Bishop, . - - - -	5
		<u>\$1,571 82</u>

In presenting his seventh account current for the year ending this day, the Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, does not think it necessary to add much by way either of explanation or of remark. All the arrearages of past years have been paid up; and there are funds sufficient in the Treasury to pay all the demands of the present.

The only circumstance which seems to him to require explanation is, the difference between the balance of the account current as herewith presented, and the actual amount which will remain in the Treasurer's hands, after all the liabilities of the past year shall have been paid. The apparent balance is \$518 22; whereas the real balance is only \$25 69.

In the Church Chronicle and Record of February 17, 1843, appeared a communication from the Treasurer, of the then state of the Society's funds; from which it appeared that after all the Michaelmas appropriations were paid, and the sums reserved which had been given for special purposes, there would be a deficit in the Treasury of about \$210 to meet the Easter appropriations. He therefore expressed the hope that he should be furnished with that sum before the time of payment should arrive.

The present account shows in what manner the Church responded to his call; for from the 23d of February to the present day he has received,

From Christ Church, Hartford, through the Rector,	\$88 12
" the Parish of Derby through the Rev. Mr. Burgess,	13
" Christ Church, Watertown, through the Rector,	25
" Trinity Parish, New Haven, through the Rector,	100
" Mrs. Peck of Brookfield, through the Bishop,	5
Total,	<u>\$231 12</u>

The further sum of \$50 was given by Trinity Parish, New Haven, as an appropriation of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, for services at Hamden during the year ending at Easter, 1843; but as no appropriation had been made by the Board to that Parish, it could not be entered on the Treasurer's books. By the consent of the Bishop, the money has been paid for the benefit of the Parish; but the payment must be entered in the accounts of the ensuing year.

Of the sums actually received by the Treasurer, the contribution from Christ Church, Watertown, was to relieve the Parish of Kent from its pecuniary embarrassments. The sums contributed for that purpose by several Parishes previous to the last Convention, as per Journal of 1842,

p. 60-61, amounted to \$95 03; to which the contribution of Christ Church, Watertown, being now added, the Treasurer has in his hands \$120 03 for the relief of the Parish of Kent, on the condition of evidence laid before the Bishop, that the members of the Parish have actually raised among themselves the sum of \$100, and \$130 out of the Parish, to pay its debt.

The sums remaining unpaid on the appropriations of the past year are as follows :

Of the Michaelmas appropriations due to one Parish,	\$15
Of the Easter appropriations, due to twelve Parishes,	257 50
Total,	<u>\$272 50</u>

Of the sums contributed at the last Convention, it will be seen by reference to p. 60 of the Journal that the sum of \$100 was paid by the Rev. O. Hopson for "the permanent fund." That sum, therefore, was to be reserved by the Treasurer, subject to the direction of the Board.

These three sums united—for Kent, \$120 03, for existing appropriations, \$272 50, and for the permanent fund, \$100, amount to \$492 03; and that sum deducted from the apparent balance, will leave, when the several amounts are paid, an actual balance of only \$25 69.

All which is respectfully submitted.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

HARTFORD, June 12th, 1843.

APPENDIX NO. IV.

CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

HARTFORD, June 14, 1843.

The Church Scholarship Society held its annual meeting at Christ Church.

The President of the Society in the Chair.

The Report of the Board of Education was read and accepted.

The Report of the Treasurer was read, having been audited by the Committee appointed for that purpose; with a statement of the entire pecuniary operations of the Society from the beginning; and was accepted.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year, viz.

Board of Education.

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Treasurer, JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.

R E P O R T.

The Church Scholarship Society, during the past year, has dispensed its assistance, to a somewhat smaller number of beneficiaries than at the period of the last Report. As six were graduated at the last commencement of Washington College, and only two have been added, twelve only have, during the year, actually received payments from the Treasury. The diminution in the pecuniary receipts has more than corresponded with the diminution in the number of beneficiaries. A year since, the Treasury was in debt to the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars; it now owes three hundred and sixty. The Society is much more easily justified than most others in the contraction of debt to a limited amount, because the obligations of its past beneficiaries form a sufficient security for any such sum which may at any time be requisite. But it would be impossible as well as wrong to extend very far this temporary resource; and it would be unwise to prolong it beyond the immediate necessity. The Board of Education appeal to the Church for all needful support, on behalf of an object which certainly has not lost its importance, and which, in some respects, has stronger claims than ever.

An impression seems to have been created in some quarters, that the Church has little need of more numerous additions to its ministry, than may be expected through the voluntary efforts of those who can supply themselves or their sons with the means of professional education. Such an impression must have proceeded from the mere facts that the existing and firmly established parishes seldom remain long unsupplied, and that occasionally a clergyman is seen without constant employment. It is scarcely true at any one period, in any of our dioceses, that there are absolutely no vacancies. Very few of the clergy are without abundant occupation; and in almost every instance, the want of a sufficient field of

labor is to be ascribed to some peculiar circumstance in the character, qualifications, position or wishes of the individual. But though it were otherwise, are the present limits of the Church to be maintained for a single generation, or for a single twelvemonth? Is not the whole land before us; and is not every sign calling upon us to rise up and take it into possession? The more carefully the state of our country is contemplated, the more clearly must it be seen, that religious divisions are preparing a result, either of prevailing irreligion, or of general adhesion to the only communion which extends any hope, or has within itself any principle, of strong and true permanence. Few can imagine that the present state of Christianity in this land can be lasting. Whatever be the issue of the transition which is taking place, it is impossible for us to doubt that it will demand the services of more than all our clergy, to build up places already laid waste, or sure to be soon laid waste, by infidelity, heresy and strife. And even were no such prospect before us, it would be a melancholy and a shameful doctrine that half the world might know nothing of the Gospel, and yet the ministry of the Church be abundantly replenished.

All reasonings from the sufficient supply, if it were sufficient, of places which are prepared to offer a reasonable support to the ministers of the Church, could lead only, at the most, to the result that they who should preach the Gospel could not live of the Gospel. For, till the whole earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, it can never cease to be the duty of the Church to increase, by all right means, the number of those whose office it is to extend that knowledge. Once sent forth, they must preach the word, if not in settled parishes, yet as missionaries; if not at home, yet in heathen lands; if not supported by those who hear them, or by missionary contributions, yet by the labors of their own hands. The time might possibly come, when it should be necessary to dispense with all those rules of custom or of canonical law, which preclude a clergyman from earning his living by purely secular occupations. But never till the work of the ministry is every where fully accomplished, could the time come, when there should be no need of more and more clergymen.

It is, therefore, to be hoped that no thought of such a kind will be suffered to check the interest which is felt on behalf of the Church Scholarship Society, or the assistance which it requires. The Church has at this moment great need of such men as are thus aided; men, who have been trained in the school of diligence, frugality and self-denial; and who will carry with them to any station the zealous determinations and the patient and laborious habits of their youth.

For the Board of Education,

GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

James M. Goodwin, Treasurer, in account current with the Church Scholarship Society. Dr.

1842.

June	To Cash on hand,	- - - - -	\$1 50
	" do. Loans to sundry Beneficiaries from July 2d, 1842, to May 25th, 1843,	}	1005 00
Aug. 3.	" do. Bills payable per J. M. Goodwin, for loan May 27, 1842,	}	253 27
	" do. Interest paid on do.		3 29

Per Contra.

Per Contra.

Errors excepted.

Hartford, June 12th, 1843.

S. TUDOR,
SILAS TOTTEN, } *Auditors.*

SYNOPSIS OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

	Dr.
Cash on hand, - - - - -	1 50
Paid Beneficiaries, - - - - -	1005 00
do. Money borrowed, - - - - -	445 70
do. Interest, - - - - -	7 17
do. Expenses, - - - - -	99
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	\$1459 36

	Cr.
Donations from Parishes, - - - - -	605 01
do. individuals, - - - - -	100 00
Repaid by Beneficiaries, - - - - -	128 70
Interest received of do. - - - - -	71 30
Borrowed, - - - - -	554 35
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	\$1459 36

1843.

June 12.	By Cash of Mrs. Peck, of Brookfield, by Bp. Brownell,	5 00
	do. St. John's Ch. Waterbury, by Rev. Mr. Clark,	52 00
14.	do. of Rev. Warner Hoyt, in full for sundry loans } to him,	109 10
	do. do. for interest on the above,	18 91
	do. of Trinity Church, Newtown,	10 00
	do. of St. James' do. Derby,	15 64
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		\$210 65

ART. 14. Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

ART. 15. No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by canon.

ART. 16. This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two thirds of the members present; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the journals of the Convention.

APPENDIX. NO. VI.

CANONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

CANON I.—*Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports. (Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)*

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages, and funerals, solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

CANON II.—*Providing for the Convention Fund. (1838.)*

The several Parishes in this Diocese shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

CANON III.—*Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial. (1825.)*

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitution and Canons of the General or

State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

CANON IV.—Of the Manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial. (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form:

To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut:

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H. of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided.

[Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being: five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the Court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defence on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty* or *not guilty*, according to the evidence; and if guilty, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court; and an attested copy of this record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accu-

sed, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision: or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may, in his opinion require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

CANON V.—Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them. (1826.)

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

CANON VI.—Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee. (1826.)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year,—the number present,—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

CANON VII.—Concerning Parochial Collections. (1839.)

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

CANON VIII.—For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures. (1828.)

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State, which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

CANON IX.—Concerning Annual Parish Meetings. (1830.)

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting: which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

CANON X. (1838.)

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence, to the Bishop.

CANON XI.—Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to Seats in the Convention. (1839.)

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitutions and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

CANON XII.—Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen. (1839.)

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

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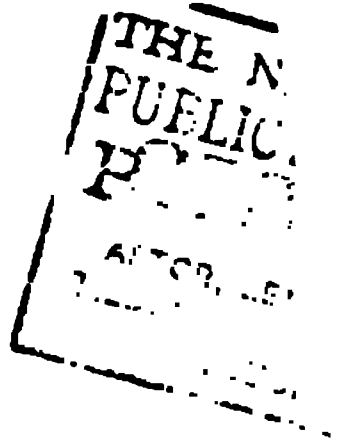
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NEW HAVEN, Tuesday, June 10, 1844.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, for the Annual Convention, the Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Laity assembled in Trinity Church, in this city at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D.; and the Sermon was delivered by the Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe.

The Bishop was assisted in the administration of the Communion, by the Rev. Drs. Croswell, Holcomb and Mead.

The services being concluded, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, was then called over by the Secretary, and the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members:

Rt. Rev. THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D.

**Rev. Wm. B. Ashley,
" David Baldwin,
" H. H. Bates,
" E. Edwards Beardsley,
" Lorenzo T. Bennett,
" Hilliard Bryant,
" E. C. Bull,
" George Burgess,
" W. W. Bronson,
" Daniel Burhans, D. D.,
" Samuel T. Carpenter,
" Alonzo B. Chapin,
" Jacob L. Clark,
" G. H. Deshon,**

**Rev. N. E. Cornwall,
" J. Coe,
" A. C. Coxe,
" J. S. Covell,
" Wm. B. Corbin,
" H. Croswell, D. D.,
" H. de Koven,
" Samuel M. Emery,
" C. W. Everest,
" Henry Fitch,
" Geo. L. Foote,
" Wm. H. Frisbie,
" Geo. W. Fash,
" Geo. S. Gordon,**

Rev. T. T. Guion,
 " Robert A. Hallam,
 " Horace Hills, Jr.,
 " Solomon G. Hitchcock,
 " Fred'k Holcomb, D. D.,
 " Oliver Hopson,
 " Warner Hoyt,
 " Enoch Huntington,
 " Wm. Jarvis,
 " Stephen Jewett,
 " Wm. C. Mead, D. D.,
 " F. Miller, Jr.,
 " Wm. F. Morgan,
 " John Morgan,
 " S. Nash,
 " Joseph H. Nichols,
 " Abel Nichols,
 " Geo. H. Nichols,
 " Geo. W. Nichols,
 " Seth B. Paddock,

Rev. William Payne,
 " R. Park,
 " John Purves,
 " Nathaniel S. Richardson,
 " Rodney Rossiter,
 " Joseph Scott,
 " D. H. Short,
 " John D. Smith,
 " Servillus Stocking,
 " Sabura S. Stocking,
 " A. S. Todd,
 " Silas Totten, D. D.,
 " Henry Townsend,
 " Isaac H. Tuttle,
 " William Warland,
 " Wm. Watson,
 " J. M. Willey,
 " Frederick B. Woodward,
 " Benjamin M. Yarrington,
 " Henry Zell.

The Rev. Messrs. Huntington, Jewett and Beardsley were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the testimonials of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then adjourned to meet in St. Paul's Chapel, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Roll of the Clergy was called over, when the Committee appointed to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates, reported that the following persons were entitled to seats according to the Constitution.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Christ Church,	Hartford,	{ Sam'l. H. Huntington.
		{ Denison Morgan.
		{ Walter Phelps.
		{ Wm. T. Lee.
St. John's do.	do.	
St. James' do.	West Society,	
St. Luke's do.	Glastenbury,	
St. Andrew's do.	Simsbury,	
St. Peter's do.	Granby,	
St. John's do.	Warehouse Point,	*Henry Pease.
Trinity do.	Bristol,	Alonzo Warner.
St. Mark's do.	New Britain,	
St. Gabriel's do.	Windsor,	Oliver W. Mills.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Trinity Church,	Brooklyn.	
Christ's do.	Pomfret,	Thomas Thompson.
St. Paul's do.	Windham.	

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Christ Church,	Middletown,	{ Edwin F. Johnson. Elliot Bradley.
Trinity do.	Portland,	{ Daniel Russell. Joseph Gleason.
Christ do.	Middle Haddam.	
St. Stephen's do.	East Haddam.	
Church of the { Holy Trinity, }	Haddam.	
St. John's Church,	Essex.	
Grace do.	Saybrook,	S. Dickinson.
Union do.	North Killingworth.	

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

St. James' Church,	New London,	{ J. C. Sistare. Francis Allyn. Erastus Williams.
Christ do.	Norwich,	
St. James' do.	Preston, (Poque- } tonnock,)	Asa L. Latham.
Christ do.	Salem.	

NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

Trinity Parish,	New Haven,	{ Nath'l R. Clark. Emanuel Henriques. Joseph N. Clarke. Pliny A. Jewett. Shelden N. Johnson. George P. Thomas.
St. James' Church,	Westville,	{ Henry Loper. Abel Kimberly.
St. James' do.	Fair Haven,	
Christ do.	Guilford,	{ Eli F. Rogers. Grant Smith. Charles Todd. John Bishop. Stephen C. Gilbert. Wm. M. Fowler.
St. John's do.	North Guilford.	
Trinity do.	Branford,	
Zion do.	North Branford,	
Christ do.	East Haven,	
St. John's do.	North Haven,	
St. Andrew's do.	Northford,	
St. Paul's do.	Wallingford.	
St. Peter's do.	Cheshire,	{ Joel Moss, Jr. Wm. H. Clarke. Bryant Hotchkiss. Almond Andrews. Jared Bassett. Jesse Tuttle, Jr. Isaac Tomlinson.
St. Andrew's do.	Meriden,	
Grace do.	Hamden,	
Christ do.	West Haven,	
St. George's do.	Milford.	
St. James' do.	Derby,	{ Fitch Smith. Edward N. Shelton. David Beach.
Union do.	Humphreysville,	{ Samuel Wire. Ransom Hudson. Ira Hyde. Geo. A. Tomlinson.
St. Peter's do.	Oxford,	
Christ do.	Quakers' Farms,	

sed, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision: or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may, in his opinion require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

CANON V.—*Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them. (1826.)*

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

CANON VI.—*Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee. (1826.)*

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year,—the number present,—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

CANON VII.—*Concerning Parochial Collections. (1839.)*

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

CANON VIII.—*For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures. (1828.)*

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State, which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

CANON IX.—Concerning Annual Parish Meetings. (1830.)

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting: which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

CANON X. (1838.)

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence, to the Bishop.

CANON XI.—Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to Seats in the Convention. (1839.)

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitutions and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

CANON XII.—Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen. (1839.)

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

13. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz :

A Committee on the Admission of new Parishes.

do. on the Constitution and Canons.

do. on Unfinished Business.

do. on Finance.

The Chair announced the following persons as the Committee on new Parishes: Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Rev. Mr. Jewett, Rev. Mr. Scott, Dr. Bulkley, and Hon. Samuel H. Huntington.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. Mr. Paddock, Rev. Mr. Clark, Daniel Russel, and E. N. Shelton, Esqrs., were appointed the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Totten, Rev. Mr. Bennett, J. C. Slatore, Wm. H. Scovill, and J. N. Clarke, Esqrs., were appointed the Committee on Finance.

The Rev. Messrs. Beardale, Burgess, Todd, Jesse Ives, and Denison Morgan, Esqrs., the Committee on Unfinished Business.

On motion, *Resolved*, That visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Clergymen of our own, not canonically entitled to seats, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The following clergymen were present under this resolution :

The Rev. Edward J. Ives, Rev. Martin Moody, Rev. Henry B. Sherman, from the Diocese of Connecticut; Rev. Wm. L. Johnson, Rev. Edward N. Mead, and Rev. Samuel Nichols, from the Diocese of New York.

The Bishop presented his annual Address agreeably to the VIIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1841, which was read at his desire, by Dr. Mead.

A D D R E S S .

My Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity:—

Every annual meeting of our Convention constitutes a marked period in our existence, and in the history of the humble portion of the Church which is committed to our charge. Let us not fail on the present occasion to be duly grateful to God for the preservation of our lives, for the measure of health which we enjoy, and for that external prosperity and spiritual grace, with which he has blessed our Zion.

Owing to an affection of my eyes, which continued through the past winter, and which threatened to terminate in blindness, I was advised to place myself under the charge of an emi-

nant physician and oculist* in the city of New York. His skillful treatment, aided by the divine blessing on the means, has produced a great mitigation of the disease, and I am encouraged to cherish sanguine hopes of the ultimate recovery of my sight. But the arrangements which I had proposed for Episcopal services through the Spring have been almost entirely frustrated, and it is probable that several months must yet elapse before I shall be able to use my eyes for reading or writing.

In fulfilling the duty imposed on me by the VIIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1841, you will expect little more from me, on the present occasion, than a brief abstract from the Journal of my official acts, since the last meeting of our Convention.

The holy rite of Confirmation has been administered by me in the following parishes, viz. :—

July 7th, in St. James' Church, New London,	6
July 9th, in Christ Church, Norwich,	22
" " in St. James' Church, Poquetonnuck,	34
July 16th, in St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam,	20
September 25th, in St. John's Church, Stamford,	6
September 24th, in Christ Church, Greenwich,	15
September 26th, in St. Mark's Church New Canaan,	27
September 27th, in St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,	19
September 28th, in St. Thomas Chapel, Bethel,	40
September 29th, in ——— Church, Weston,	13
September 30th, in Trinity Church, Newtown,	5
October 1st, in St. Peter's Church, Monroe,	18
October 2nd, in Christ Church, Trumbull,	14
October 15th, in Trinity Church, Portland,	9
" " in Christ Church, Middle Haddam,	3
October 26th, in St. John's Church, Salisbury,	5
October 27th, in Christ Church, Sharon,	9
October 29th, in St. John's Church, New Milford,	5
October 31st, in Christ Church, Bethlehem,	22
October 31st, in Christ Church, Watertown,	1
November 2nd, in Christ Church, Harwinton,	8
April 7th, in St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,	11
" " in St. Andrew's Church, Meriden,	7
April 28th, St. John's Church, Waterbury,	26
" " in St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,	13
May 28th, by the Bishop of Rhode Island, at my request, in Christ Church, Pomfret,	10
May 31st, in Trinity Church, New Haven,	30
June 1st, in Christ Church, Guilford,	25
June 2nd, in Christ Church, Hartford,	26
" " in St. John's Church, Hartford,	28
Total,	450

The following clergymen have been admitted by me to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, viz:

Nov. 8th, in St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, Rev. E. M. Porter.

May 1st, in St. John's Church, in the city of New York, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of that Diocese, the Rev. Giles H. Deahon, and the Rev. Ferdinand E. White.

On the first day of November, in Grace Church, Providence, the Rev. Alexander Burgess, was admitted to the Holy Order of Priests by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Rhode Island, acting in my name and on my behalf; and on the 28th day of May, the Rev. Roswell Park, was, at my request, admitted to the Priesthood by the same Bishop.

On the third day of March, the Rt. Rev. Bishop of New York admitted the Rev. Henry de Koven to the Priesthood on my behalf, in the Church of the Ascension, in the city of New York.

The following persons have been by me admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz.:

On the 2nd of July, in Christ Church, Hartford, William H. Frisbie.

On the 7th of July, in St. James' Church, New London, Giles H. Deshon.

On the 25th of September, in St. John's Church, Stamford, James W. Bradin.

On the 8th of November in St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, Jonathan Coe, 2nd.

And on the 1st of May, in St. John's Church, New York, (with the assistance of the Bishop of the Diocese,) Junius M. Willey.

The following persons are now candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz:

Isaac G. Hubbard, A. B.; Henry D. Noble, A. B.; James G. Blair, A. B.; Thomas M. Peters, A. B.; William H. Clark, A. B.; Charles R. Fisher, A. B.; Charles H. Hall, A. B.; George J. Geer, A. B.; Henry Olmsted, A. B.; Charles H. Wooster, A. B.; William E. Vibbert; Abel Ogden, A. B.; Thomas S. Preston, A. B.; Henry V. Gardner, A. B.; Joseph P. Taylor, A. B.; George Rossiter, A. B.; John J. Brandegge, A. B.; Francis J. Clerc, A. B.; Henry Edwards, A. B.

Sandford J. Horton, A. B., admitted a candidate on the 4th of August last, has been transferred to the Diocese of Rhode Island.

The following Clergymen have been received into this Diocese, on dimissory letters from other Bishops, viz:

The Rev. William W. Bronson, and the Rev. Roswell Park, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Geo. W. Fash, Rev. David H. Short and the Rev. Horace Hill, Jr., from the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Wm. B. Corbin and the Rev. Henry H. Bates, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The following Clergymen have removed to other Dioceses with the usual letters dimissory, viz:

The Rev. Richard S. Adams, to Indiana, the Rev. Robert Shaw and the Rev. J. T. Cushing, to N. Y., the Rev. George C. Shepard, to Massachusetts, the Rev. Alexander Burgess, to Maine, the Rev. T. H. Vail, to Rhode Island, the Rev. Alfred A. Miller, to Pennsylvania, the Rev. Henry Stanley, to Maryland, the Rev. Edward J. Darkin, and the Rev. Thomas G. Salter, have received special letters—the former to Illinois, and the latter to Massachusetts.

Of the clergymen received into the Diocese, the Rev. William W. Bronson is officiating at Trumbull, the Rev. Roswell Park at Pomfret, the Rev. George W. Fash at Kent and Canaan, the Rev. Horace Hill, Jr., at Middletown, the Rev. David H. Short is

engaged in the instruction of youth at Ridgefield, and is officiating in the Church at Wilton, the Rev. H. H. Bates has been appointed to the charge of St. John's Church, Warehouse Point, and the Rev. Wm. B. Curtis to the cure, composed of the parishes of St. Gabriel's, Windsor, St. James's, West Hartford, and St. Mary's, Manchester.

Of the Deacons ordained within the past year, the Rev. William M. Frible is officiating at Hitchcockville and its vicinity, the Rev. Giles H. Dushon at Windham, the Rev. James W. Bradin at New Canaan, the Rev. Jonathan Coo, 2d. at Bethlem, and the Rev. Josiah M. Wiley at Saybrook.

The following changes have taken place in the location of the Clergy, since the last Convention, viz:

The Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley has resigned the office of Principal of the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire, and has accepted the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church in that place; the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, has resigned the charge of the Parish at Sharon, and is engaged in the business of instruction at Litchfield, with the charge of the Church in Milton; the Rev. George S. Gordon has resigned his late charge and accepted the Rectorship of the Church in Huntington; the Rev. Edward J. Ives has resigned his charge of St. Paul's Church, Brookfield; the Rev. Frederick Miller, Jr. has accepted the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Branford, in place of the Rev. P. P. Kidder, who has removed to Western New York; the Rev. Emory M. Porter, has relinquished his charge of the Parishes of Milton and Bradleyville—being succeeded in the latter Parish by the Rev. C. G. V. Eastman; the Rev. John Purves, has removed from Wilton and accepted the associate Rectorship of the Churches in Danbury and Bethel; the Rev. Joseph Scott has removed from Warehouse Point to Derby; the Rev. George A. Sterling has relinquished the charge of St. Paul's Church, Huntington; the Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Bethlem, and is associated with the Rev. Wm. Watson in the agency for Washington College; the Rev. Thomas H. Vail has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Exeterborough, having removed to the Diocese of Rhode Island; the Rev. Wm. Warland has removed from Saybrook, and has for the last year officiated in St. John's Church, Salisbury; the Rev. Wm. G. French has for the last year supplied the vacancy in the Parish of Saybrook, and is now officiating in All Saints Church, Wolcott; the Rev. Henry de Koven is officiating in St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam; the Rev. John Morgan has accepted the charge of Christ's Church, Stratford; the Rev. Alpheus Geer has resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Hebron; the Rev. J. T. Cushing has relinquished his charge of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden; and the Rev. George W. Nichols has accepted the charge of the Parish at East Haven.

On the 6th of November last, I laid the corner stone of a new edifice to be erected in the ancient town of Windsor, and to be called St. Gabriel's Church. Other Churches are being built in Danbury, and in the newly formed Parishes of Wolcottville, and Fair Haven.

I have to close this list of official acts with the gratifying statement that on the tenth day of August last, at the request of the Standing Committee of Rhode Island, I instituted the Rev. John

P. K. Henshaw, D. D., into the Rectorship of the Parish of Grace Church, in the city of Providence, and that on the following day, August 11th, in St. John's Church, Providence, assisted by the Bishops of New York, Vermont, New Jersey, and Maryland, and the assistant Bishop of Virginia, I consecrated the said Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, D. D., to the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to exercise jurisdiction in and over the Diocese of Rhode Island.

My Brethren—When I last addressed you, I had the pleasure of congratulating you on the union, peace and harmony, which prevailed throughout our whole communion. Since that time, events have occurred which have given a temporary shock to our repose; and by becoming mingled with other prevailing topics of discussion, have created no small excitement in the Church, and no small triumph among her enemies. I view this excitement with no serious alarm, and the triumph with no dismay. If we have cherished any undue pride in our privileges, let that pride be humbled by the rebuke it has received. But blessed be God, we have in our articles and liturgy, conservative principles by which any errors in doctrine may be tested and condemned, and any defects in our organization discovered and amended. If any extreme opinions have been held by individuals, the present excitement has brought them to the test, and the corrective will be found effectual. If in any thing, we have fallen below the standards of our Church, we shall be reminded of our defection and brought back to the model of primitive truth and order. It is in these periods of excitement that our attention should be turned most actively and carefully to first principles; to the law and to the testimony; to Scripture and to primitive usage; and I doubt not but the present agitation, will result in the clearer elucidation and the firmer establishment of the truth. As to the imputation of any tendency to Romanism in our Church, we regard the suggestion as one of those oft refuted calumnies, which is as often revived by prejudice, but believed only by the ignorant. We can hold no closer connection with that corrupt communion, till she corrects her errors, abandons her superstitions, and renounces her absurd pretensions to supremacy and infallibility. I firmly believe that most of the controversies, which now disturb our repose, originate in misapprehension, and are little more than “disputes about words;” and that the residue are connected with the metaphysical subtleties which have sprung out of the teachings of Calvin, and relate chiefly to the means of renovating grace, and other points on which neither party has deviated essentially from the integrity of Christian doctrine. Nothing is wanting but a little time for calm reflection, a more candid view of controverted topics, and the exercise of true Christian charity; to restore the Church to that peace and union which has so long marked her onward course.

As to those combined attacks, by which we have for some time been assailed from without, I have but few remarks to offer. They have been characterized by a bigotry unsuited to a land of equal rights and religious toleration; by a malignity and violence uncongenial to the spirit of the Gospel; and by a want of christian courtesy, and christian candour, which indicate a low state of religious feeling in the quarters from which they come. But let us not return railing for railing. We have not so learned Christ.

The cause of truth and righteousness can gain nothing by unhallowed recriminations. It can ultimately lose nothing by the mere appeals to popular prejudice and ignorance which are arrayed against it. While then, we are ever ready to give a reason of the hope that is in us, let us do it with meekness and fear. Let us be ever ready to defend the faith once delivered to the saints; but let us join the combat with none but the christian's armour; and confide the result to the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls. He has pledged himself to be with his ministers of Apostolical Succession to the end of the world. He has declared that the gates of hell shall not prevail against his Church. We will trust in his promise.

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**On motion, Resolved,** That a Committee be appointed to ascertain and report the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled, and also to report the names of suitable persons to be nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees for this Diocese, for the ensuing three years.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. Mr. Jewett, and S. H. Huntington were appointed this Committee.

A communication from a colored congregation in this city, asking to be admitted into union with this Convention, was read and referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

The Rev. Mr. Burgess read an abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee for the past year, which is entered on the Journal agreeably to the provisions of the VIth Canon.

*Abstract of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Convention of 1843, to the Convention of 1844.*

There have been, during the past year, six meetings of the Standing Committee.

1. The first meeting was held, according to the IXth article of the Constitution, on the day in which the Standing Committee were elected, June 14, 1843; all the members being present. The Rev. Dr. Croswell, was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of Wm. E. Vibberts, and Charles W. Wooster, recommending them for admission as candidates for orders; in favor of Giles H. Deshon, a candidate for orders, recommending him for the order of Deacons; and in favor of the Rev. Emery M. Porter, recommending him for the order of Priests; and they were respectively recommended accordingly to the Bishop. Testimonials in favor of Isaac W. Warner, a licensed minister of the Congregational denomination, were likewise presented; but being found imperfect, were reserved for further consideration. A charge against the Rev. Edwin W. Wiltbank was presented, agreeably to Canon IVth of 1825; and the Standing Committee signed the presentation required by the Canon; Mr. Burgess being excused, as having expressed an opinion in favor of the accused, on a preceding investigation.

2. The second meeting was held at Hartford, Aug. 2d, and by adjournment, Aug. 3, 1843; all the members being present. A

report was presented with reference to the proceedings against the Rev. E. W. Wiltbank. The application of I. W. Warner, was indefinitely postponed. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of Abel Ogden, Jr., George Rossiter, Joseph P. Taylor, Henry V. Gardner, Francis J. Clerc, and Sanford J. Horton, recommending them for admission as candidates for orders; and in favor of James W. Bradin, a candidate for orders, recommending him for the order of Deacons; and they were severally recommended accordingly to the Bishop.

3. The third meeting took place at Middletown, Sept. 26th, and by adjournment, Sept. 27th, and 28th, 1843; present, Dr. Croswell, Dr. Jarvis, Mr. Burgess, and Dr. Mead. The Standing Committee were present, and assisting, as required by the Canon, at the trial of the charges against the Rev. E. W. Wiltbank. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of John J. Brandegee, recommending him for admission as a candidate for orders; and in favor of the Rev. Alexander Burgess, Deacon, recommending him for the order of Priests; and they were recommended accordingly to the Bishop.

4. The fourth meeting was held at New Haven, Jan. 25th, 1844; present, Dr. Croswell, Mr. Burgess, and Dr. Holcomb. Mr. Burgess was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of Henry Edwards, and Isaac W. Warner, late a licentiate of the Congregational denomination, recommending them for admission as candidates for orders; and in favor of the Rev. Henry de Koven, and the Rev. Ferdinand E. White, Deacons, recommending them for the order of Priests; and they were recommended accordingly to the Bishop.

5. The fifth meeting was held at New Haven, April 18th, 1844; present, Dr. Croswell, Mr. Burgess, and Dr. Mead. Mr. Burgess was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of Junius M. Willey, a candidate for orders, recommending him for the order of Deacons; and in favor of the Rev. Giles H. Deshon, and the Rev. Roswell Park, Deacons, recommending them for the order of Priests; and they were respectively recommended accordingly to the Bishop. In pursuance of a Resolution of the last Convention, a Circular was addressed to the several Parishes, which were in arrears for the assessment to make up the Bishop's Salary.

6. The sixth meeting was held at New Haven, June 10th, and by adjournment, June 11, 1844; present, Dr. Croswell, Mr. Burgess, Dr. Mead, and Dr. Holcomb. Mr. Burgess was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. In accordance with the XIth Canon of the Diocese, the Standing Committee assisted the Bishop in the preparation of a list of clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of Henry Dutton Noble, recommending him for admission as a candidate for orders, and in favor of the Rev. William Henry Frisbie, Deacon, recommending him for the order of Priests; and they were recommended to the Bishop, accordingly.

The Standing Committee then adjourned, *sine die*.

GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary pro tem*.

A circular was presented and read by the Secretary, from the Rt. Rev. G. W. Doane, as Chairman of a Committee of the Board



of Minutes, relative to the formation of an "Indian Diocese," whereupon it was

*Resolved*, That this communication be referred to a Committee of five, of which the Bishop shall be Chairman.

Dr. Mead, Rev. Messrs. Todd, Clark and Cornwall were appointed the other members.

*Resolved*, That the Rev. Enoch Huntington be appointed to receive the assessments on the Parishes, for making up the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary.

The annual report of the Treasurer of the Convention was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Rev. Wm. Watson, and Wm. H. Boevill, Esq. be associated with the Rev. Mr. Huntington, as a Committee to discharge what remains of the duty assigned to the Standing Committee by the Resolution of the last Convention, respecting the deficiency in the Bishop's Salary; by collecting as far as possible those arrears, compromising when necessary, with Parishes unable to pay, and endeavoring to close up the matter of arrearages at this meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Boardsley resigned his office of Treasurer, his resignation was accepted, and Wm. T. Lee, Esq., appointed to supply his place.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Parochial Reports be now read.

Before finishing which, a motion was passed to adjourn till half past 8 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Adjourned.

St. Paul's Chapel, Wednesday morning, 8 1-2 o'clock.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayers were read by the Secretary, after which the Roll was called, and the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Rev. G. S. Colt, Rev. Wm. G. French, Rev. F. E. White, and Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, appeared and took their seats.

On motion, *Resolved*, That Daniel Russell, Esq. be appointed to receive the funds for the Society, for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Rev. Mr. Burgess be appointed to receive funds for the Church Scholarship Society, in the absence of the Treasurer.

The Committee on New Parishes reported in favor of admitting the colored congregation into union with this Convention, which report was accepted, and the Parish accordingly admitted.

The following Report was then presented:

The Committee on Unfinished Business, Report—

That upon examination of the Journal, they do not find any thing which properly comes within the line of their notice, unless it be the following resolution on the 21st page—viz:

"*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee, (that is, the Committee on the admission of new Parishes,) be laid on the table, and that this Convention without present action upon the petition of Leman Stone and others, will be happy to receive into union with the Church in this Diocese, a new Parish, in the town of Derby, whenever such Parish shall have been organized by an amicable arrangement with the Parish of St. James' Church, Derby."

(Signed)

E. E. BRADLEY, Chairman.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Parish organized in Derby, on the first day of June 1843, under the name of St. James' Parish, be and the same is hereby admitted as a new Parish, into union with this Convention, by the name of the Parish of Christ Church, Derby.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention proceed to the election of a Standing Committee.

Whereupon the following persons were chosen :

The Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rev. Samuel Farmar Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rev. George Burgess, A. M., Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., and Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D.

A motion was then passed that the Convention divide for the purpose of going into an election of Delegates to the General Convention.

The Clergy elected the Rev. Drs. Croswell, Jarvis, Mead, and the Rev. Mr. Todd.

When the Convention again united, the Chairman of the Lay Delegates reported that they had chosen, as Delegates to the General Convention—Hon. Seth P. Beers, Hon. J. M. L. Scovill, Hon. Samuel H. Huntington, and Starr Ferry, Esq.

These appointments were unanimously confirmed by a vote of the Convention.

The Committee on the "Indian Mission," made the following Report, which was accepted:

The Committee on the circular concerning the Indian Mission, *Report*, That in their opinion, it requires no action on the part of this Convention, but that the scheme be left to the deputies to the General Convention from this Diocese, without any instructions concerning the same.

T. C. BROWNELL, *Chairman*.

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, made the following report which was accepted, and the persons therein nominated appointed Trustees.

The Committee appointed to ascertain and report on the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled, and to propose the names of suitable persons to be nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees of this Diocese for the ensuing three years, *Report*, That this Diocese is entitled to fourteen Trustees, and propose the names of the following persons as suitable to represent this Diocese in the said Board, *viz*: Rev. H. Croswell, D. D., Rev. S. F. Jarvis, D. D. LL. D., Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., Rev. R. A. Hallam, Rev. Wm. Watson, Rev. S. Jewett, Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rev. George Burgess, Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, and Messrs. S. H. Huntington, Wm. H. Scovill, S. G. Cornell, R. L. Ingersoll, and I. Toucey.

WM. COOPER MEAD,  
STEPHEN JEWETT,  
S. H. HUNTINGTON, } *Committee.*

NEW HAVEN, June 12, 1844.



On motion, Resolved, That when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet at half past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Adjourned,

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The minutes of the morning were read and approved.

On motion, Resolved, That the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, be requested to enquire into the expediency of altering the VIth article of the Constitution, so far as it relates to the qualifications necessary to entitle clergymen to seats in the Convention.

The same Committee were directed to enquire whether any alterations are expedient in Canons 5th and 12th.

The Secretary presented the resignation of Wm. Law, Esq., as a Trustee of the Episcopal Academy, which was accepted, as was also the resignation of Rev. Seth B. Paddock, and the following resolution passed.

On motion, Resolved, That a Committee of four be appointed to enquire what vacancies there may be in the Board, and to nominate suitable persons to supply them.

Rev. Dr. Totten, Rev. Mr. Watson, Rev. Mr. Paddock, and Wm. H. Scovill, Esq., were accordingly appointed.

The Convention then resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society, the business of which being finished, the Convention again organized, and resumed the reading of the Parochial Reports. Before these were concluded, the Committee on the Episcopal Academy reported that there were two vacancies; one by the resignation of Rev. Mr. Paddock, and the other by the resignation of Wm. Law, Esq. They nominated to supply these vacancies, the Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY, and Wm. T. Lee, Esq., which nominations were unanimously confirmed.

They also recommended that Mr. RICHARD ADAMS' seat be declared vacant, at his suggestion, and that Mr. LLOYD MOSS, of Cheshire, be appointed in his place.

His seat was accordingly vacated and Mr. Moss appointed.

On motion, Resolved, That the Principal of the Episcopal Academy, be requested to make an annual report to this Convention.

The reading of the Parochial Reports being ended, the Rev. Henry B. Sherman, acting on behalf of Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Treasurer, of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, read his annual Report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following preamble, with the accompanying resolutions were unanimously adopted.

**Motion** is again made for the Report of the Committee on the subject of the General Convention, that a report of the Committee be presented by the next General Convention, of the subject of the General Convention.

**Resolved**, That the Convention be a committee on the subject of the General Convention, and that the committee be authorized to report on the subject of the General Convention, and that the committee be authorized to report on the subject of the General Convention.

**Resolved**, That a copy of the Convention be presented to the Secretary of the Convention of the next General Convention.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and of the Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society, and found them correct.

**Motion** is made for the Convention to be authorized to report on the subject of the General Convention, and that the committee be authorized to report on the subject of the General Convention.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons made the following Report, which was accepted, and the accompanying resolutions passed.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom were referred the Resolution to "inquire into the expediency of altering the VIIIth article of the Constitution, so far as it relates to the qualifications necessary to enable a clergyman to be a member of the Convention," Report, That they have had the subject under consideration, and do consider it expedient to amend the said VIIIth Article as follows—viz: after the word "such" in line 3d, to insert the words "Clergymen in the Army and Navy of the United States;" after the word "function" in line 5th, to insert the words "together with such clergymen as have been entitled to sit in the Convention, within three months previous to any annual meeting of the same, and continue to hold an ecclesiastical connection with the Diocese;" and after the word "Convention," in the 9th line, insert the words "And it shall be also in the power of the Convention to admit any clergyman actually residing in the Diocese, and ecclesiastically connected with it, as a seat in the Convention, and to render him eligible to any office in the Diocese; provided, that the same shall be done by an unanimous vote of the Convention."

The Committee also report, on the question of alterations in the 6th and 12th Canons referred to them, that they do not think that any alteration in the same is necessary at this time.

The Committee offer the following Resolution.

**Resolved**, That the proposed alterations in the IVth article of the Constitution be approved, and lay over for final action at the next annual Convention, according to the provision of the XVth article of the Constitution.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, Chairman.

New Haven, June 12th, 1844.

On motion, **Resolved**, That the Secretary procure the printing of one thousand copies of the Journal.

On motion, **Resolved**, That the Delegates to the General Convention be requested to enquire into the practical operation of the General Missionary System.

of the Church, with the view of recommending such alterations as will diminish the incidental expenses, and prevent injudicious or excessive appropriations of whatever nature.

On motion, Resolved, That this Convention adjourn, after reading the minutes of the afternoon, and the usual devotions.

Adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D.

President, and Bishop of the Diocese.

Attest, E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, Secretary.

## APPENDIX NO. 1.

### ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop reports, that owing to an affection of his eyes which continued through the winter, and which threatened to terminate in blindness, he was advised to place himself under the charge of an eminent physician and oculist in the city of New York; that this arrangement has almost entirely frustrated his Spring visitations, but that the Holy Rite of Confirmation has been administered in 80 Parishes, to *four hundred and fifty persons*; that *five* have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and *six* to the Priesthood; that there are *nineteen* candidates for Holy Orders; that *one* has been transferred to another Diocese; that *eight* Clergymen have taken the usual dimissory letters, and that *two* have received special letters; that *seven* have been canonically received into it; that *fifteen* have resigned their respective cures, and *eight* transferred to other stations in the Diocese; that he has laid the corner stone of a new edifice, and consecrated a Bishop to exercise jurisdiction in and over the Diocese of Rhode Island.

by his predecessor, Rev. Joseph Scott, for an account of the Church and congregation during the last conventional year.

Families, 40; communicants, 20; marriages, 4; burials, 5; Sunday school—scholars, 50; teachers, 10.

Beside the services of Sunday, there have been extra services during Lent, and at other times during the year. The congregation have been regular in their attendance, and characterized for their liberality and zeal in sustaining the interests of the Church. The Ladies of the Parish, by means of a fair, raised \$290 last August, for the benefit of the Parish. The Sunday school has been flourishing.

A monthly service has been commenced in a part of the town of Enfield, which has been well attended and promises much good to the cause of truth.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHESHIRE.

REV. H. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 2; communicants added by removal, 1; marriages, 1; burials, 6.

The above is an abstract of the Parish Register as left by my predecessor.

Since my appointment to the Rectorship, (which was at Easter,) 4 communicants have been added by removal, 2 have died, an infant has been baptized, and a marriage solemnized. The Sunday school, though small, is as flourishing as it well can be, from the nature of the case. It is under the care of an excellent Superintendent. The amount of Missionary and charitable contributions, I am not able precisely to state, but as this is a Parish that acts upon the plan of "Monthly Offerings," I presume it will not vary much from that reported last year, (\$47 84.)

### CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. LORENZO T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families, 58; baptisms—infants, 15, adults, 2; confirmed, 25; communicants, 97; added anew, 11; lost—by death, 1, removals, 3; marriages, 3; burials, 18; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$34 43.

In all things promotive of the prosperity of a Parish, the Rector is gratified in being enabled to report, though not a rapid, yet a constantly progressive improvement. The subscription which was in course of circulation at the time of the last Convention, towards liquidating the debt incurred in building the Church edifice, was successful to its entire extinguishment.

The apparent difference between the number of new communicants, and of persons confirmed, arises from the circumstance that several united in communion previously to the last report. The rest are purposing to avail themselves of that privilege at the earliest opportunity.

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW CANAAN.****REV. JAMES BRADIN, RECTOR.**

I have had charge of this Parish only since last Easter. Up to that period, the Rev. David Ogden, the late Rector, officiated, who resigned on account of ill health, and sailed for France. Baptisms by Rev. Mr. Ogden, adults, 3, infants 3; marriages, 3; funerals, 1; confirmations, 9. I have baptized 3 infants, and attended 2 funerals.

**CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.****REV. WILLIAM WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.**

Families, from 80 to 85; baptisms—adults, 5, infants, 4; communicants—added by removal, 1, anew, 7; died, 2; present number, 96; confirmed, 14; burials, 4; marriages, 2; Sunday school—teachers, 13; scholars, as far as ascertained, 50; collection of Monthly Offerings, \$32 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The present incumbent entered upon the regular discharge of parochial duty on the 2d day of July, 1843; and while grateful to Him, who alone can bless the labors of His ministering servants, for the partial success of past exertion, he feels most sensibly the necessity of more faithful and untiring diligence in the important work for which he had been commissioned, in the building up of men in the faith and worship of Almighty God, and in obedience to all the requirements of his Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.****REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.**

Families, 81; communicants, about 100; added anew, 12; baptisms, 13—adults, 7, infants, 6; confirmed, 11; marriages, 4; deaths, 10.

By comparing the number of families here presented with the number reported last year, it would appear that there has been a loss of 10. The actual loss the past year, has not been to that amount. The difference must be owing in part, to inaccuracies in former reports, the Rector having relied, until the present year, upon the records of his predecessors. There has nothing of particular interest occurred in the Parish, the past year. The stated ministrations of the Church have been generally well attended, and though the Truth is not so apparent in its results as could be wished, it is to be hoped that it has been so grafted inwardly as to produce ultimately, "the fruit of good living to the honor and praise of God."

**CHRIST CHURCH, WESTPORT.****REV. EDWARD C. BULL, RECTOR.**

Families, 52; baptisms—infants, 15, adults, 2; communicants—added anew, 3; lost by death, 3; present number, 83; marriages, 1; burials, 8; Sunday school—teachers, 12; scholars, 68; Mission-

ary and charitable contributions, \$23 27; contributions for objects within the Parish, about \$70.

I would simply state in regard to the Parish, that it is as flourishing as in former years, and will undoubtedly, although small, continue to prosper, provided unanimity, good feeling, and christian liberality, continue to prevail.

## CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS, RECTOR.

Families, 244; baptisms—infants, 36, adults, 11, total, 47; communicants—added, 53, removed, 26, died, 9, present number, 385; marriages, 9; burials, 30; confirmed, 26; Sunday school—teachers, 26, scholars, 190; Missionary and charitable contributions, exclusive of objects within the Parish, \$1648 93.

The church has been opened for divine service, and a sermon, frequently on the evening of Sunday, and on Christmas-Day, Ash-Wednesday, the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday before Easter, the morning and afternoon of Good Friday, and on Ascension-Day. Morning prayer was held on Wednesdays and Fridays during the season of Lent; and evening prayer, with a lecture on Wednesday evening throughout the year. The children have been catechised from time to time, in the church; and a numerous class of young persons are under the personal instruction of the Rector, in connexion with the Sunday school, but at a riper age than the other scholars.

Within the year, several of the oldest members of this congregation have been removed by death, from the number of the communicants. Among those, the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hart, left valuable legacies to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, the Church Scholarship Society, the Parish of St. John's Church, Hartford, and the poor. Under the will, also, of the late Mrs. Emily Phillips, formerly a communicant of this Parish, who bequeathed the substance of her property to Washington College, and the Board of Missions, a legacy of one hundred dollars has been received by the Vestry of Christ Church, to be applied, by the terms of the bequest, in the purchase of additional plate for the communion.

The zeal and the spiritual improvement of the Parish, if viewed in relation to the labors of the Rector, would more than satisfy him; but if viewed in relation to his wishes and its own duty, must still leave far too much to be desired and lamented.

In addition to his immediate charge, the Rector has officiated weekly at West Hartford; several times, on Sunday evening, at East Hartford; and once or twice, at East Windsor.

## ST. JAMES' PARISH, WEST HARTFORD.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS.

This Parish was organized immediately before the last Convention. Forty families had then associated themselves in its formation; and the number who still desire to be connected with it as worshippers and members, whenever a church may be erected, is probably not lessened. But a very large proportion of

these families had little previous acquaintance with the constitution and services of our Church; and time has been required, to mature their favorable opinion, and prepare them for decided and zealous action.

Divine service has been performed, and a sermon read, on Sundays during the year, by Mr. Charles R. Fisher, a candidate for holy orders; to whose diligence, discretion and fidelity, the Parish, should it attain a permanent standing, will have been much indebted for its success. The Rector of Christ Church has officiated every Thursday evening, and at Christmas. An arrangement has been made, through which the pastoral charge, in connection with that of the new Parishes at Windsor and at Manchester, will devolve on the Rev. Wm. B. Corbin, and he has already officiated on a single Sunday at West-Hartford. Several persons are believed to be in readiness to receive confirmation at an early period; and several children and adults are awaiting baptism. A lot of land, in a desirable location, has been offered as a site for a church. By the establishment of this Parish, a good work has been already accomplished, in the spiritual benefit of individuals; and the hope is entertained, that the foundations which have been laid, will be those of a prosperous congregation.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

REV. E. CAMP, RECTOR.

Families, 20; communicants, 30; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 3. This Parish, though long established, is weak in worldly power, but strong in the living energy of Christ's spirit. Though poor, we lack nothing but a willingness to make our poverty a source of gain by denying ourselves more for the rewards of Christ. May the Holy Ghost work in us, if we are worthy, even this, enabling us to count it all joy that we are permitted humbly to copy our Lord in poverty and patience. The children are catechised publicly once every month. Services have been rendered in two adjoining towns.

### CHRIST CHURCH, SHARON.

REV. SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER.

Assigned the charge of this Parish Easter Monday; to that date I report,—confirmed, 9; baptized—infants, 7, adults, 4, married, 2; buried, 4; families—added, 2; communicants—added, 8; less—by removal, 1, by death, 1, whole number 70.

I have officiated in Kent at the request of the "Clerical and Missionary Association of Litchfield County," one fourth of the time during the last summer. During that time I officiated at one marriage.

### TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON.

REV. S. T. CARPENTER, MINISTER.

I commenced regular services in this Church first the Sunday after Easter, under an engagement to preach the whole time for

half the usual salary, with the understanding that I may supply the deficiency, by teaching in the Litchfield Institute. I have no other official acts to report. The prospects of the Church we hope are encouraging.

### CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families, 36; communicants—lost by removals, 2, by death, 3, total, 5; added by removals, 5, anew, 5, total, 10; present number, 44; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 4, scholars, 22; collections for Church purposes, \$125.

Of the *seven* candidates for confirmation, reported last year, *two* have left the place, *one* has gone back, *three* were confirmed at New Haven at the Bishop's visitation in May. The present number of candidates for confirmation is *four*, and for the holy communion, *eight*.

Within the last few years this Church has been neatly and thoroughly repaired—a suitable organ has been purchased—the number of communicants has been doubled—the Parish freed from debt—and divine service is celebrated on all the Sundays, and on many of the festivals of the Church, one half of the time by the minister, and the other half by Lay-reading under his direction. Although this Parish, from its situation, never can be large, and for some time to come must be feeble, it is, nevertheless, an important post, and deserves the fostering aid of the Church.

One half of my time on Sundays, during the past year, has been employed in aiding my brethren of the clergy, when the health of my family would permit me to be absent.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

Families, 187; baptisms—infants, 22, adults, 5; confirmed, 26; communicants—added by removals, 19, anew, 28, lost, by death, 2, by removals, 29, present number, 310; marriages, 7; burials, 11; Sunday School—teachers, 59, scholars, 290; missionary and charitable contributions as follows: to the Church Scholarship Society, \$160, to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$80; to the Domestic Department of our Missionary Society, including some appropriations to Church Institutions in the West, \$292 87; to the Foreign Department, \$60 00; to the Church in Westville, \$40 00; to the Church in Wolcottville, including some donations from the ladies' sewing circles, \$213 00; for the Sunday School and other objects within the Parish, though raised in the way of offerings or ladies' sewing circles, \$48 90; in the treasury, \$26 10; total, \$921 37. In addition to the above, about \$60 00 has been contributed at the offertory for the poor of the Parish.

The Rector has great pleasure in stating that \$113 15 of the sum reported was raised by the persevering labours of the ladies in their sewing circles, of which there are five in different sections of the Parish, and also that fifty-eight dollars and fifty-two cents was contributed by the Sunday School, \$18 00 by the pupils and \$40 00 by teachers. It is proper also to state that the



agent for Washington College has visited us the past year, and obtained subscriptions to the amount of \$2070 68.

In a temporal point of view, our Parish was, perhaps, never so prosperous as at the present time, and we hope we are not losing ground in spiritual things. Perfect unanimity has characterized our councils, and there has been a general co-operation in every plan which promised well for the interests of the Church. The usual weekly lecture has been continued during the year in place of a Bible class.

### **CHRIST, CHURCH, BETHLEM.**

REV. JONATHAN COE, 2d, RECTOR.

Families, 45; baptisms—infants and children, 6, adults, 11, total, 17; confirmed, 22; communicants—added anew, 14, by removal, 3, lost by death 3, by removal, 2, present number, 62; marriages, 4; burials 3; pupils in Sunday School, 31, teachers, 5; Bible class Sunday evening, attendance about 20.

The present Rector entered upon the duties of this cure at Easter last. The clerical acts reported, with the exception of one baptism, one marriage, and one burial, were performed by the late Rector, the Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle. The Parish, though small, may be considered in a prosperous condition. Contributions to objects without the Parish, \$12.

### **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.**

REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 49, adults, 1, total, 50; funerals 38; marriages, 18; communicants—added anew, 15, by removal, 4, lost by death, 5, by removal, 36, whole number, 358; families, 273; Sunday School, scholars, 200; teachers 30; contributions, \$208.

### **ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.**

REV. WM. B. CORBIN, RECTOR.

Having but recently assumed the charge of the Parish of St. Gabriel's, I make no report of my own labors, but must refer to that of Rev. Mr. Coxe.

### **TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.**

REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families, 95; baptisms—adults, 3, infants, 10; communicants—added anew, 11, by removal, 3; lost—by death, 4, by removal, 2, present number, 163; marriages, 3; burials, 10; Sunday school—teachers, 18, scholars, 100; Missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish, about \$110. The Ladies' sewing society, has raised during the year, the sum of \$458 59; part for benevolent objects, and the remainder for the purpose of aiding to repair the Church and erect a parsonage, which is in progress, to be completed in the fall. The zeal with which this work has been undertaken, affords, in the Rector's estimation, encouraging testimony respecting the spiritual, as well as the temporal condition of the Parish.

## TRINITY CHURCH AND ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, NEW HAVEN.

REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D. RECTOR: REV. J. H. NICHOLS, AND REV. WM. F. MORGAN, ASSISTANT MINISTERS.

Baptisms—adults, 7, children, 62, total, 69; communicants—added, 30, deceased, 21, present number, 810; confirmed, 30, [3 of whom belonged to Christ Church, West Haven;] marriages, 27; burials, 65. The Sunday school is in a flourishing condition, but there is probably but little, if any increase since the last report, when there were 68 teachers, and 545 scholars. Missionary and charitable contributions, (besides the usual Parish charities,) as reported at the close of the last “offering’s” year, \$1051 76.

Since the last annual Convention, some changes have taken place within the limits of this Parish. Measures have been adopted for erecting a substantial gothic edifice in the Parish of St. James’ Church, Fair Haven, which was admitted into union with the Church, at the last Convention. This building, when completed, will accommodate all the families in Fair Haven and vicinity, who now worship in the Parish churches in New Haven. Recently, about thirty families of colored people, belonging to the Parish of Trinity Church, have withdrawn, and organized themselves into a separate Parish, by the name of St. Luke’s Church; and having procured a suitable room for public worship, and hoping now to be admitted into union with the Church, they intend, as soon as practicable, to procure the services of a clergyman. These circumstances, however, do not very materially affect the statistics of the Parish. It will be seen that there is a steady increase of communicants, though the number baptized and confirmed the past year has been unusually small.

### ST. LUKE’S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN. (AFRICAN.)

REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D., MINISTER.

This Parish has but recently been organized, and now consists of about thirty families.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families, 36; baptisms—adult, 1, children, 6; communicants—lost by removal, 3, by death, 0; added anew, 6, by removal, 5; present number, 70; marriages, 5; burials, 6; Sunday school—teachers, 12, scholars, including the Bible Classes, 58; charitable contributions, \$35, applied chiefly to domestic missions. The offerings of the Parish are regularly taken up every fourth Sunday in the month. Divine service was held in the Church, on every Wednesday, during the season of Lent, and occasional services in remote parts of the Parish; besides, during the past year, I have officiated four times in Burlington, and baptized one child; communicants in Burlington, 11; who for the most part attend at Bristol.

Much *harmony* and *peace* still characterize the people of my charge, and the number of attendants on public worship, is gradually increasing.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—catechumens, 13, infants, 29, total, 42; confirmed, 28; marriages, 2; burials, 17; communicants—died, 3, removed, 17, added from other Cures, 21, added by first communion, 33, total, 211; families, 142. Single individuals who attend St. John's are numerous, but I have not succeeded in ascertaining their number.

Alms and offerings—offertory, \$174 08½; Churching-gift \$1 00; African Mission, \$23 44; Nashotah, \$16 00; Quinquagesima, \$160 65; Christian Knowledge Society, \$21 87½; Church Scholarship Society, \$21 75; General Theological Seminary, \$20 00; donation to Constantinople Mission, \$50 00; to Kenyon College, \$16 00; Church in Maine, \$10 37½; children's Easter gift to Nashotah, \$16 00; Parochial Library, \$133 72; total, \$713 89½.

The Church has also received during the year a legacy of \$400 from the estate of a former generous benefactor, Mrs. Elizabeth Hart; for which we are desirous of leaving an expression of our sincere gratitude on record.

*Divine Service* is duly celebrated on all the Festivals and Fasts of the church, including the Ember, Rogation, and Friday Fasts, and the forty days of Lent. A Lecture is delivered on Friday evenings. Baptism is statedly administered to catechumens at Easter, and to infants whose christening has been delayed, at Whitsuntide. The *Holy Eucharist* is always celebrated on the first Sunday in every month, and on the Festivals for which there is a proper Preface at the Trisagion. From Advent Sunday to Easter inclusive, the children are catechised every Sunday; and adult catechumens also once a week. Catechetical Lectures have been delivered to the whole congregation on the Catholic Epistles, and the Book of the Acts of the Apostles, and occasionally on the rites and services of the Church. The Sunday School has teachers, 22, scholars, 125, and a Library of 133 volumes. A *Parochial Library* has been founded, which is very generally used by the Parishioners; and which, as it contains no trash, promises to be highly useful.

I must also add with great gratification, that my liberal parishioners, have since their Easter meeting, promptly and cheerfully subscribed the sum of \$10,000 to extinguish the bulk of the Parish debt, and the additional sum of \$2,000 as a sinking fund to the remainder. This effort was the more creditable, as they had during the year made several generous and very considerable contributions, not detailed in this report.

## ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

REV. A. C. COXE.

Families, 24; communicants, 26; baptisms, 1; burials, 1.

The children have been publicly catechised twice by me, and found very well instructed in that formulary of sound doctrine.

My increasing duties at Hartford, have allowed me time to do little more than celebrate service, and preach weekly at this Parish, on Wednesday evening throughout the year. Parochial visiting has been almost wholly out of my power, and consequent-

five families which this Church has lost by emigration, within a little has been done for the increase of the Parish in numbers, though I trust the seed has been sown which will bear fruit in time to come. A candidate for Holy orders has officiated as Lay Reader, on Sunday, throughout the year, and also throughout Passion week, and on Christmas, and the day of Thanksgiving.

The effort of the Parish to provide a church edifice, has laid additional duties upon me, which have proportionably abstracted from my care of their spiritual house. The corner stone was laid on the 6th of November last; and the materials have been purchased and brought together for erection, but some delays have unexpectedly arisen, which will probably deter the completion of the building until fall. Convinced that the situation of the Parish demands a degree of pastoral care which I can find no leisure to afford, I have rejoiced at the opportunity of resigning my missionary charge, to a reverend brother, who on the 29th of May, was, with great unanimity, chosen Rector, and will reside in the Town. This happy completion of their organization abundantly satisfies my most sanguine hopes in undertaking the enterprise; and I confidently anticipate from the measure, under the divine blessing, the permanent founding of the Church in the town of Windsor.

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH, MANCHESTER.

REV. A. C. COXE.

My duties at Hartford and Windsor have only allowed me to make three excursions to Manchester, two for the celebration of divine service, and one for organizing the Church. On one occasion, I baptised *four infants*, and the Rev. Dr. Totten, and the Rev. J. Morgan have each officiated once. The number of families is —; the number of communicants, —. A small organ has been purchased, and the service is celebrated with full music. Much credit is due to Mr. H. V. Gardner, a candidate for orders, who has labored with great perseverance, as Lay Reader. On the 28th day of May, being Tuesday in Whitsun-week, I organized the Parish of St. Mary's, which immediately elected as Rector, the Rev. Wm. B. Corbin. I regard the character of the people at Manchester, as peculiarly favorable to the establishment of a flourishing parish.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

REV. J. T. CUSHING, LATE RECTOR.

Families—added, 2, whole number, 74; baptisms—adults, 5, infants, 5, whole number, 10; communicants—added, 13, lost by death, 2, whole number, 122; marriages, 1; burials, 9; confirmed, 7; monthly missionary collections, \$33.

The instruction of the children has been for the past year, by catechising them openly in the Church on every Lord's day.

A Biblical lecture on Sunday evenings, together with prayer on the holy days and in Lent, have composed our extra services for the year past.

I cannot take leave of this interesting and prospering Parish without regret, and a sincere desire that their many kindnesses to myself, may be rewarded by their obtaining a faithful pastor to supply the place among them, which I have so imperfectly filled.

### **ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDHAM.**

**REV. GILES H. DESHON, RECTOR.**

Families, about 60; baptisms—infants, 1; adults, 5; burials, 4; marriages, 2; communicants—lost by removals, 2, added, 5, present number, 35.

The condition of this Church is as good as could reasonably have been expected. A considerable sum has been expended during the present season, to repair the Church edifice, and to improve the grounds about it. The congregation is gradually increasing, and devout friends of the Church indulge the hope that there are evidences of increasing attachment to her spiritual interests.

### **ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BANTAM FALLS.**

**REV. G. C. V. EASTMAN, RECTOR.**

Families, 30; baptisms 0; communicants, 30; marriages, 1; burials, 4; Sunday school—teachers, 7, scholars, about 30; missionary contributions, none, the erection of their Church having absorbed all their means.

The present Rector commenced his duties in this Parish, at Christmas, which never before has had preaching more than half the time. He regrets he is not able to visit them more, but his engagements in teaching which prevent, are the means which enable him to preach for them, for a small amount. We have a tasteful and convenient edifice, ready for consecration.

### **TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND.**

**REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.**

Families, 97; baptisms—infants, 10; adults, 5; communicants—added, anew, 9, lost by removal, 4, by death, 10, present number, 95; confirmed, 9; marriages, 3; burials, 16; Sunday School—teachers, 14, scholars, 90. Missionary and charitable contributions—for the Parish in Volney, Otsego County, N. Y., \$9 00; for Cape Palmas, Africa, \$31 00; for Akron, Ohio, and other Parishes in that Diocese, \$65 00; Sunday School offerings for Africa, \$6 00; for the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, in this Diocese, \$20 00; for Domestic Missions of the Board of Missions, \$10 00; for sufferers by fire at Fall River, Mass., \$60 00; contributions for purposes within the limits of the Parish, \$170 00; total, \$371 00; Convention fund, \$4 50; total, \$375 50.

Although within the last three or four years any addition to the strength of this Parish has been canceled by the removal from it of a large number of valuable families, long connected with the Church, yet it is believed to be still in a flourishing state. Of thirty-

the space of four years, a large proportion, having settled in a township in the Western part of Pennsylvania, have recently organized a Church, and are about to erect a place of worship.

### PARISH OF KENT, LITCHFIELD CO.

REV. GEO. W. FASH, RECTOR.

Families, 39; baptisms, since October last, 1 adult, 8 infants, total 9; funerals, 5; communicants—removed into the Parish, 2, added anew, 2, removed from the Parish, 1, total, 26; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 35.

When the present minister of this Parish took charge of the same, in October last, he found belonging to it a considerable number of families. But the interest of the same had become much diminished, and the growth and prosperity of the congregation much retarded, by adverse circumstances. The Parish had been involved in debt; public worship had, for a long period, been celebrated, but unfrequently; and it was destitute of a resident clergyman. But these impediments have now been removed. Soon after I assumed this charge, the debt was extinguished, with means, provided by the exertions of my predecessor, the Rev. Geo. L. Foote. The principal discouragements of the Parish having been removed, there has been a gradual increase in our prosperity. A choir has been formed, and instructed in sacred music, during the last winter, by a competent teacher. The ladies of the congregation have formed a sewing circle, which appears to be exerting a good influence in various ways. Still, the congregation is but feeble, and in need of the aid of their more favored brethren. The generality of the people are poor, or, at best, in moderate circumstances; but they manifest an earnest desire and endeavor to sustain, as far as they are able, the ministrations of religion. There is a prospect of a gradual, though slow, growth of the congregation. I have officiated at Kent every other Sunday; and frequently on the evenings of other days at several points in the vicinity, in order that the members of the congregation residing at a distance from the Church may not, inasmuch as their attendance there is necessarily irregular, lose their interest in the welfare of the Parish.

### PARISH OF NORTH CANAAN, LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

REV. GEO. W. FASH, RECTOR.

Families, 21; communicants—added anew, 1, died, 1, removed from the Parish, 2, present number, 11; funerals, 2; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars 25.

This is a new but promising field of labor. Services were commenced at North Canaan on the first of November last. Since that time the number of attendants has gradually increased; and the majority of the congregation, who had previously belonged to other religious bodies, as they have become, by degrees, acquainted with the principles and worship of our Church, have manifested a constantly increasing attachment to them. Divine service is celebrated here, as at Kent, every other Sunday. The congregation are contemplating the erection of a Church. They

will probably be able to provide nearly the whole of the funds necessary for that purpose; and the balance, which will be but a small amount, they trust will be furnished by neighboring Parishes, to whose Christian liberality they are now indebted for aid in supporting public worship. This assistance they hope to repay at no distant period, by aiding, in their turn, such needy Parishes as may require their liberality.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH HAVEN.

REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

Families, 44; baptisms—infants 2; communicants—added anew, 2, lost by death, 1, by removal, 1, present number, 33; marriages, 2; burials, 4; Sunday School—teachers, 4, scholars, 15; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$24 84.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.

REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

Families, 34; baptisms—infants 5; communicants—added anew, 4, by removal, 2, lost by death, 2, removal, 7, present number, 44; burials, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 25; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$28 25.

### CHRIST'S CHURCH, ROXBURY.

REV. GEO. L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families—added, 2, whole number, 63; baptisms—adults, 7, infants and children, 11, whole number, 18; marriages, 2; burials, 15; communicants—added anew, 0, lost by removal, 1, present number, 46; Sundays scholars and catechumens, 49; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$30. Besides this the ladies of the Parish have raised about \$60 for further improvement and for furnishing the interior of the Church, and about \$30 have been otherwise expended on the Church building.

I have continued my services in this Parish one half of the Sundays for the year, with an increasing attendance and a more careful and devout attention to the services of the Church, as well as to the Sacraments.

I have preached in Southbury, South Britain Society, but three times during the past year, my time being otherwise employed, and the Missionary of the Parish supplying that place.

I have also preached twice in the town of Warren, and believe that in God's time a Parish may be raised in that place. Found 5 Episcopal families and 4 communicants.

In addition to the above duties, I have attended 3 funerals in the Parish of St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

REV. GEO. L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families—added by removal 2, whole number, 31; baptisms—infants and children, 7; marriages, 1; communicants—added by



removal, 2, anew, 2, lost by death, 1, present number, 34; burials, 2; Sunday scholars and catechumens, 27; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$10.

I have officiated in this Parish, one half of the time for the past year, and the condition of the congregation as to members and zeal is improving.

### GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

REV. WM. G. FRENCH, LATE MINISTER.

Families, 35; baptisms—adults, 5, infants, 6, total, 11; number of communicants added, 4, total, 35; four of these, with three others, who preferred to wait till after confirmation before coming to the communion, had already given me their names as candidates at the expected visitation of the Bishop; funerals, 3; amount of collections, \$27 41; of this applied to Nashotah mission, \$7 59; to Bishop's Fund, \$3 00; the number of catechumens, 38, the younger part of which were catechised each Lord's day, the older part on Saturday, from the chancel.

I entered upon my duties as minister to this Parish, on the second of July, 1843; and continued to serve them in the Diaconate until Easter, 1844, a period of nine months.

The privilege of public prayer, on all the holy days, was afforded to the people, when always enough were gathered together to claim the promise; and often from ten to fifteen and twenty which was considered sufficiently encouraging for these times.

### UNION CHURCH, HITCHCOCKSVILLE.

REV. WM. HENRY FRISBIE, MINISTER.

Families, 20; baptisms—adults, 1, children, 6, infants, 2, whole number, 9; communicants, 15; marriages, 2; burials, 4. Services have been held twice on every other Lord's day, and frequently on other days set apart by the Church. Evening services were held weekly through Lent, and on some other occasions.

The incumbent commenced his duties as Parish minister in Hitchcocksville, on the fourth Sunday after Trinity, 1843, and has officiated there every second Lord's day since.

This little Parish has long struggled under great embarrassment, but its chief difficulty has been the want of regular pastoral services from one who felt himself truly called to feed *that* flock. The few sheep there have been without a shepherd, and wolves have attempted to devour the sheep. The Parish, during the past year, have sustained services, unaided for half the time, and have painted their Church and made other improvements. They have received a donation of a Bible and Book of Common Prayer for the desk, from the ladies of Christ Church, Watertown.

### AVON, BARKHAMSTED, COLEBROOK, NEW HARTFORD.

REV. WM. H. FRISBIE, MISSIONARY.

Rev. William Henry Frisbie, Missionary, reports that he commenced his Missionary labors in July, 1843; officiated every fourth Lord's day, at Avon, until the first Sunday in Lent,—after which



prospects for the Church not being favorable, services were discontinued;—has held regular services in Winchester, (Winsted Society,) every fourth Lord's day, since the twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, 1843. Some attempts have been made to establish the Church in this place, but as yet no Parish has been organized. Services have been held in Barkhamsted, every fourth Sunday since the second Sunday after Easter, 1844. A regular third service is also held this Summer at Colebrook River, on every second Lord's day;—in addition, services have been held at Barkhamsted, one Lord's day, (at regular hours,) Colebrook, one, Colebrook River, one, in New Hartford meeting-house, one; evening services have also been held from time to time in all the towns and societies bordering upon Hitchcocksville. Baptisms—infants, in Avon, 2; one marriage, in Barkhamsted.

### **ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DANBURY, AND ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL, BETHEL.**

**REV. THOMAS T. GUION AND REV. JOHN PURVES, ASSOCIATE RECTORS.**

Families, 105; baptisms—infants and children, 14, adult, 1, total, 15; confirmed 40; communicants—added by removal, 6, anew, 33, lost by death and removal, 7, present number, 153; Sunday scholars, 100, teachers 20; marriages, 4; burials, 6.

This Parish now enjoys the services of two clergymen: Rev. John Purves having relinquished the Parish of Wilton, was called as Associate Rector, and entered upon his duties in the month of August, last. The prospects of the Parish are very encouraging; the belief expressed in last year's report that if "a new Church edifice were erected in a more eligible place, the Parish would, by the blessing of God, soon begin to take the stand it *ought* to take," we now are about to see realized. A new Church edifice, 40 by 60 feet, is in progress of erection, to be completed and *paid for* in the ensuing fall. If the "inward and spiritual grace," in the Church, accord with the "outward and visible" prosperity, we may soon, by God's blessing, be able to say of it, "Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God."

### **NEW FAIRFIELD.**

**REV. T. T. GUION.**

In compliance with the resolution of the last Convention, which assigned the care of Episcopalians, "residing in New Fairfield to the minister of Danbury." We have to report that the Rev. Mr. Guion has held several services in that village, which were always well attended.

### **ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.**

**REV. JOHN M. GUION, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 2; marriages, 3; funerals, 1; communicants—lost by removal, 1, present number, 31.

My report of this Parish at the last Convention is applicable to its present condition and members. Their inability to sustain the entire services of a clergyman has induced me to devote a portion

of my time to other vacant Parishes, and during the past year about one third has been given to Wolcott. Four Sundays I have officiated at Essexborough. The residue of my time has been employed at New Britain which is now my sole Cure. The reason why no additions are reported, is that several who would be classified as such, are awaiting the rite of confirmation, to seal their union with the Church. The necessities of the Parish have been such as to prevail with me not to press the usual parochial collections.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON.

REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families, 71; baptisms—infants, 6, adults, 3; confirmed, 6; communicants—added by admission, 9, by removal, 3; lost—by death, 3, by removal, 5, present number, 113; marriages, 6; burials, 5; Sunday school—teachers, 14, scholars, 59; Missionary and charitable contributions—General Missionary Society, \$148 09; Church Scholarship Society,—avails of ladies' industry, \$80 00; Pomfret, \$12 00, Christian Knowledge Society, \$39 42: another object out of the Parish, \$12 00; making a total of \$291 51.

The condition of this Parish has long been like the Prophet's day, "neither clear nor dark," a sort of stationary twilight. So it seems likely to continue. The hope indeed is, that its issue may also be the same; and that at length, "at evening time it shall be light." Still, there are good men in it, growing meet for heaven, and there are not unfrequently additions to the number of "such as shall be saved;" and on the whole, causes of gratitude much prevail over causes of complaint.

### CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

REV. HORACE HILLS, JR., RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults, 4, infants, 4, total, 8; catechumens, 70; catechists, 12; communicants, 110; marriages, 2; funerals, 4; contributions—Domestic Missions, \$15; Female Assistance Society, \$26; Communion alms, \$37 12; Sunday school offerings, \$2 50; sinking fund, \$35; painting and varnishing the Church, \$100; chandelier and lamps, \$100; total, \$315 62.

The Rector entered upon his duties in this Parish on Sexagesima Sunday, February 11th, and as his connexion with this congregation has been only for four months, he is unprepared to give an accurate report to his Bishop. During Lent I held two evening services in the week, and two services each day in Passion week, and continued a Wednesday evening lecture until June. The attendance was uniformly large. And we have abundant reason to believe that God's spirit was present stimulating the conscientious to more zealous devotion, and leading the careless to cry out with the Philippian Jailor, "What must we do to be saved."

One venerable man in his 90th year, has just received for the first time the most precious Body and Blood of our Saviour. And when he is at last presented "faultless" before the Throne, "with

exceeding joy," as one "at the eleventh hour," "saved so as by fire," how lowly will he bow, and exultingly swell the "new song" of Heaven.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WOODBURY.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, MINISTER.

Families, 51; baptisms—infants, 5; confirmed, 0, though there are some who are candidates for that rite, and awaiting an opportunity for receiving it. Communicants—added by removal, 2, anew, 2; lost—by removal, 4, death 2, present number, 48; marriages, 0; burials, 7; Sunday school—teachers, 5, scholars, 41; Bible class, 15; amount of missionary and charitable collections, \$37 15; of which, \$22 47 were taken up by monthly collections, and applied to Parish purposes, \$14 68 a missionary collection, appropriated \$5 to Domestic Missions, \$5 to Foreign Missions, and \$4 68 to the Litchfield County Mission, through the medium of the Christian Knowledge Society. The proceeds of the Ladies Sewing Society have been applied to purchase books for the Sunday School Library.

The exercises of the Sunday school and Bible class have been continued through the winter. Wednesday evening services during Lent were held in the remote part of the Parish, and well attended.

The pecuniary ability of the Parish is not *yet* such as to render it equal to the sustaining of the undivided services of a minister. From the unanimity with which an advantageous call received by the present incumbent the past year, to go to the South, *was opposed* by the congregation, expectations had been entertained, that special exertions would be made to retain those services entire, which they manifested so much reluctance to part with. But these expectations have been far from being realized. *Still*, under existing circumstances, and with the approbation of those who wish well to the Church in the town of Woodbury, the performance of entire services, though without any definite understanding as to the matter of *compensation*, have as yet been continued.

## CHURCH OF THE EASTER FESTIVAL, SOUTHBURY.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, MINISTER.

This Parish was organized on the Easter Tuesday of last year. Previously to its organization, it had received little ministerial attention, except the performance of third services in different parts of the town, by the minister of the Church in Woodbury, on the afternoon or evening of alternate Lord's days. This continued for a period of a year or two, before effecting the plan of a legal organization of a Parish. At the last Convention, the system of operation agreed upon for supplying the destitute towns in the State where there were Episcopalians residing, with services, placed the discharge of such duties to the Episcopalians of Southbury, in the hands of the minister of the church in Woodbury. In accordance therefore with the sense of duty imposed by such an assignment, he has continued as before, to hold third services on the afternoon or evening of every alternate Lord's day in Southbury,

and on five Sundays within the past year, divine service has been celebrated in a public room in the center of the town, *through the day*. One communicant has been added to the church, but no baptism has been performed. Those who are already attached to the Episcopal church in Southbury, reside nearly all of them in those parts of the town which are contiguous to the churches of Woodbury, Roxbury, Oxford, or Quaker's Farms, where they are in the habit more or less of attending public worship. And under these circumstances, it is thought that their wants may be best supplied by the ministers of these adjoining Parishes.

### ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.

Families, about 100 ; baptisms—children, 30, adults, 4 ; confirmed, 13 ; communicants—added by removal, 6, anew, 15 ; lost by death, 2, removal, 14, present number, 144 ; marriages, 12 ; burials, 11 ; Sunday school—teachers, 23, scholars, 110 ; missionary and charitable contributions, \$43 41, viz. for Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$11, for Parish at Westville, \$6 50 ; Christian Knowledge Society, \$7 ; other objects, \$18 91.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, RIDGEFIELD.

REV. WARNER HOYT, RECTOR.

Number of families, 82 ; baptisms—adults, 11, infants, 9, total 20 ; confirmed 19 ; communicants, last reported, 131, lost by death, 5, by removal, 5 ; added by removal, 5, anew, 22, present number, 148 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 15 ; Sunday school—teachers, 18, scholars, 80 ; contributions to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$15 ; for other purposes about \$80 ; subscription towards extinguishing Church debt, about \$1200.

The above statistics would indicate this parish to be, as with deep emotions of thankfulness we report it, in a healthful and prosperous condition. Our communicants are all of one heart and one mind, and willing to be trained up in the Gospel *by and in* the church. Though we have always been ranked among the smaller and weaker Parishes, and though we are in proportion to our numbers *poor*, yet it is believed that few Parishes in the Diocese have manifested more perseverance or a better spirit in efforts to promote the welfare of the Church. Within a period of about seven years past, there have been raised among us in various ways and for various religious and benevolent purposes, nearly \$7,000, besides what has been annually raised for the support of the clergyman. It is trusted, moreover, that the spiritual condition of the Parish is not declining, and in view of the many mercies, and especially the harmony that God has vouchsafed us, the Rector can not but be grateful, and call to mind the expression of the Psalmist, "Behold, how good and how pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

REV. E. HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 2; communicants—added anew, 8; confirmations, 5; marriages, 12; burials, 23; monthly offerings, \$100.

Our congregation has been steadily increasing in numbers for several years, and now usually fills the Church. Once a month during the last summer, the children of the Parish were catechised publicly in the Church, and a lecture delivered on the doctrines of the Gospel, as embodied in the Church Catechism.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HADDAM.

REV. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D. LL. D., RECTOR.

The services of the Church were celebrated on each Lord's day, with the Holy communion monthly, till the Rector's departure for Europe, on the 1st of December. Holy baptism has been administered to one adult, and twenty children of the Parish have been regularly catechised by the Rector, every Lord's day morning. The congregation, which has varied in numbers from 10 to 150, is quietly increasing, and the whole aspect of the Parish has improved during the year. The Rector, having accomplished the object of his sojourn abroad, will return in the month of August next. During his absence, occasional services are rendered to his "little flock in the wilderness," by the Rev. H. B. Sherman.

## REV. WILLIAM JARVIS,

Reports to the Bishop that during the past conventional year, he has not deemed it prudent on any occasion to attempt the labor of public speaking, and consequently he has no record to present of professional services. He regrets that he has been able to do but little in furthering the interests of the Church; but he has done what he could.

## REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

I have not as yet found myself able to attempt preaching, and on that account have done but little that may properly be termed professional duty, since my last report. On the festivals of Christmas and Easter I assisted the Rector of Trinity Parish in the administration of the Holy Communion. As a Trustee I have attended every meeting of the several Boards which have been held during the year, with but one exception, when I was confined to my bed with severe illness.

## ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, EAST HADDAM.

REV. H. de KOVEN, RECTOR.

Number of families, 64, removed, 1; communicants, 89, added, 11, removed, 4; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 15; marriages, 3; burials; 5; confirmations, 20; Bible class and Sunday School

nearly the same as reported at the last Convention ; contributions for missions and other purposes, about \$50 00,—in addition, the sum of \$100 has been lately raised by subscription, for the purpose of erecting a new vestry-room, pulpit and desk.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D. RECTOR.

Families, about 100 ; baptisms—adults, 2, and infants, 20, total, 22 ; communicants—added, 9, died or removed, 5, present number, 184 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 27 ; Sunday School—teachers, 48, scholars, 160, total, 208 ; offerings, \$218 46. The Parish Library has been increased by the addition of 200 volumes of valuable works.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.

REV. FREDERICK MILLER, MINISTER.

Families, about 70 ; communicants—lost by death during the year, 1, by removal, 2, added by removal, 2, anew, 2, present number, 93 ; baptisms during the year—adults, 2, infants, 15 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 7 ; Sunday School—teachers, 16, scholars, 61 ; contributions for Missionary and charitable purposes, \$47 50.

The Sunday School has been commenced for the season, and continued thus far with most encouraging indications. An efficient and faithful superintendant, and competent teachers, very much relieve the Minister of labor and care, and is a subject of grateful consideration. There is a Bible class of about 20, which meets at the parsonage on Sunday evening. The children are also catechised in the Church, on the afternoon of each communion Sunday. The Parish appears to be united and prosperous, and there is reason for encouragement in regard to the future.

From the last Convention until Easter, I had the charge of St. Peter's Church, Cheshire. At that time, I resigned that Parish and accepted the charge of Trinity Church, Branford.

### CHRIST CHURCH, STRATFORD.

REV. JOHN MORGAN, RECTOR.

Families 82 ; number of communicants, 100 ; new communicants 1 ; deaths, 1 ; baptisms, 2 ; marriages, 1 ; Sunday School—teachers, 14, scholars, 70. A new organ of excellent power has been built for the Church, and much improvement has been made in the position of the pulpit, desk, and communion table, within the past year. Having but recently begun to reside in the village, the Rector's acquaintance with his charge is but limited. The attendance on public worship is, however, much increased. And there is good reason to hope that the religious character of his people keeps pace with their religious advantages. Paul may plant and Apollos water, but God must give the increase.

### CHRIST'S CHURCH, MIDDLE HADDAM.

REV. S. NASH, MINISTER.

Baptisms—adults, 2 ; confirmed, 3 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 8 ; removed, 2 ; families, 45.

No essential change has taken place in the condition or prospects of this Church, since the last report. The loss by removals or deaths, has been equal to the additions,—leaving the number of communicants the same as then, viz. 46.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 65; baptisms—infants 8; communicants—added anew, 2, lost by removal, 1, present number 46; burials, 3; marriages, 6.

During the past year, the Parish has expended about \$250 in repairing the exterior of the Church, and at the last annual meeting an appropriation of \$600 was made for improving the interior. No appropriations have been made to objects without the Parish.

The usual services are, for the present, suspended, but will be resumed so soon as the Church is completed. The prospects of the Parish in temporalities, were never better than at present—were its spiritual condition equally promising, there would be less ground of anxiety for its future prosperity.

### CHRIST CHURCH, QUAKERS' FARMS.

REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 54; baptisms—adults, 2, infants, 12, total, 14; communicants—added anew, 3, by removal, 2, present number, 38; Sunday School—teachers, 10; scholars, 60; marriages, 4; burials, 3; contributions, \$65. The congregation within the past year has nearly doubled in number, and is still gradually increasing. For this we are indebted, in no small degree, under God, to the general interest which the events of the past years have been instrumental in creating, in respect to the character and claims of Christ's Church.

### ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GLASTENBURY.

REV. GEO. H. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families, 62, 9 nominally attached to the Parish; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 7; communicants—added by removal, 2, anew, 7, lost by removal, 7, by death, 4, present number, 109; marriages, 6; burials, 16; Sunday School—teachers, 11, scholars, 50; Church offerings, \$67. A catechetical class composed of the younger members of the Parish has been regularly continued throughout the year, in which much interest has been evinced, accompanied by evident manifestations of "the healthful spirit of God's grace." A class of catechumens also is in waiting for the Holy Rite of Confirmation. That the continued dew of Christ's blessing has, in a measure, been poured on the congregation of the Pastor's charge, seems manifest from the increasing practical attachment to Christ's holy Church, her ordinances and sacraments, her decency and order, her purity and holiness.

Aside from the regular services of the Lord's day, and the more prominent Festivals and Fasts of the Church, most of the "Holy



Days have been duly observed, in addition to a regular Wednesday evening lecture during the winter season. None, however, of these appointed means have apparently resulted more to the spiritual edification of the flock, than "the week-day prayers" of the Lenten season, and the full service of Passion Week.

In accordance with the resolution of the last Convention, making the vacant portions of our Diocese the sphere of Missionary labor, I have held divine service several times, visited the sick, and administered the Holy sacrament of the Eucharist, at Marlborough, where are several communicants. In like manner, in the north section of Glastenbury, I have regularly officiated, on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, at a third service, during the Summer season; all of which have been attended by full and attentive congregations.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.**

**REV. GEO. W. NICHOLS, RECTOR.**

From Easter, 1843, unto October 8th, I was without a charge. At this time, I was invited to the Parish of Norwich, Chenango Co., where I remained only until Easter last; such being the nature of the climate as to render my longer stay impracticable. I have now just accepted an invitation from the Parish of Christ Church, East Haven. An arrangement is made by which, for the current year, my services will be wholly given to this Parish. It is to be devoutly hoped that this little Parish will, with the blessing of God, be much strengthened and increased. For the statistics of the last year reference must be made to the report of my predecessor.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.**

**REV. S. B. PADDOCK, RECTOR.**

Families, between 150 and 160; communicants—added, 20, lost by removal and death, 11, present number, 178; baptisms—infants, 21, adults, 6, total, 27; confirmations, 22; marriages, 6; burials, 17, of which 6 were extra-parochial; Sunday school—teachers, 30, scholars, 150; Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$190.

The increase of this Parish has been at a stand for two or three years for the want of Church room. There are now more than 20 families which are unable to procure seats. A new Church edifice is much wanted, and it is to be hoped, will soon be erected.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, POMFRET.**

**REV. ROSWELL PARK, MINISTER.**

Families, 15; parishioners, 76; baptisms—adult, 1, infants, 3, total, 4; marriages and funerals, none; confirmed, 10; communicants—added by profession, 10, by removal, 2, lost by removal, 2, present number, 30; Sunday school—teachers, 3, scholars, 13; average attendance on Sundays, half or the whole of the day, 52.

The present minister commenced his labors in this Parish on the 22d of September last, under very discouraging prospects,



which however, by the favor of Providence, are now considerably improved. The Church will have raised, during the current year, \$200 towards the support of the ministry; but must still be assisted in this work by its friends abroad. It has also discharged a debt of \$80, and expended about \$65 more in painting and repairs. It is now entirely free from debt, with a neat Church edifice, and a fund of \$44, commenced this spring, towards the erection of a parsonage. Its only collection for the Church abroad, under these circumstances, has been \$5 for our General Domestic Missions. The weekly offerings of the Church, included in the above named \$200, have averaged thus far, \$1 50 on each Lord's day. The Parish has been completely organized, meanwhile, by the adoption of a series of Parochial Canons, which have operated very beneficially, and received the sanction of the visiting Bishop. The Sewing Society has also proved a valuable auxiliary in promoting the interests of the Church.

### ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. WM. PAYNE, RECTOR.

Families, 93; baptisms—adults, 2, infants, 7; confirmed, 0; communicants—added by removal, 7, anew, 5, lost by death, 4, by removal, 3, total, 126; marriages, 5; burials, 13; Sunday school—teachers, 13, scholars, 90; Missionary and charitable contributions—for building a Church in Wolcottville, \$120; for Christian Knowledge Society, \$6; on hand and unappropriated, \$70 50; total for objects without the Parish, \$196 50.

The Rector is unable to report any very essential change in the condition of this Parish. While he feels that this is a meagre statement to render from year to year, and sometimes blushes to compare it with that of many of his brethren whose cures are situated in more growing communities, he consoles himself with reflecting that the minister who is sustaining one of our old and depopulating Parishes, though the visible effects may not seem as great, is doing a work, which is liable to be unduly appreciated by the Church, and which they, whose lot is cast where every thing is new and thriving, might find it difficult to perform.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, POQUETONNOCK.

REV. DEXTER POTTER, RECTOR.

Communicants, 73; baptisms—adults, 1, infants, 3; confirmed, 34; burials, 5; marriages, 2; Sunday school—teachers, 10, scholars, about 50.

After the administration of confirmation for us, by the Bishop, there will be an accession to our communion.

The year preceding the one now past, was one of much religious interest with us, and we had a large increase of our communion. Hence during the past year, we could not reasonably expect the same additions to the Church. We have not, however, been without evidences of divine favor, and are still sowing in faith and patience the seed, in hopes, that in due time, we shall reap again, if we faint not.

**CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.****REV. H. S. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.**

Families, 141; baptisms—adults, 3, infants, 13; confirmed, (private confirmation) 1; communicants—added anew, 10; by removal, 3, lost—by death, 5, removal, 6, whole number, 159; marriages, 1; burials, 11; Sunday school—teachers, 17, scholars, 140; Missionary and charitable offerings—monthly offerings, \$142 88; for Church in Wolcottville, \$80; for Bible and Prayer Book in Hitchcocksville, about \$15; subscribed or pledged conditionally to Washington College Charity Fund, about \$900; total, \$1137 83. The special contributions for the above objects, were mostly from a few individuals. Any material diminution from the charities of the Parish as a whole, need not be anticipated. There are two charitable associations of the Ladies of the Parish, in active operation. No public confirmation has been held in this Parish since the last Convention.

We have been peculiarly tried during the past year, in the loss by death of several well tried pillars of this Church. Removal as usual continues to thin our ranks. God's blessing, however raises up friends for the Church, and the Parish was never, perhaps in a more flourishing condition.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.****REV. RODNEY ROSSITER, RECTOR.**

Families, about 50; baptisms, 10—adults, 2, infants, 8; confirmed, 18; communicants—lost by death, 2, by removal, 3; added anew, 7, by removal, 2, present number, 75; marriages, 3; burials, 6, (3 of them not belonging to the Episcopal Parish;) Sunday school—teachers, 9, scholars, about 50; Missionary contributions, \$36, viz: to Domestic Missions, \$18 50; Foreign Missions, \$14 50; Christian Knowledge Society, \$3.

Gratitude to the liberal donors may render it proper to add the notice of a donation party the past winter, effected by the influence of some young persons of the Parish, by which the Rector's family received the value of nearly \$100.

**CHRIST CHURCH, DERBY.****REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, RECTOR.**

The number of families before the separation took place between this and the Parish in Birmingham, was 37; there have since been added, 23, whole number, 60; the number of communicants before the separation was 48, added since, 6, whole number, 54; baptisms—Easter day, by Rev. C. W. Bradley, infants, 5, adults, 2, on Whitsunday, by myself, infants, 4, and on Trinity Sunday, infants, 3, adults, 1, whole number, 15. The system of monthly offerings has been introduced since Easter, and the amount collected is \$19 10. \$10 64 has been appropriated in the purchase of 104 volumes of Sunday School Library books, and \$5 is for the funds of the Christian Knowledge Society. The Rector's Salary is raised by subscription, and the seats in the Church are all free. Connected with the Parish is a flourishing Sewing Society. Be-

sides the regular services, I have had occasionally a third service on Sunday, and a stated weekly service on Tuesday evenings.

### **REV. HENRY BEERS SHERMAN, DEACON.**

From the time of the last Convention till the 23d Sunday after Trinity, I continued to officiate in Christ Church, Middletown, during which period, I baptised one adult, and five infants, and attended six burials. The remaining portion of the year has been devoted to other pursuits; and the occasional clerical services which I have performed, have been rendered in aid of my brethren.

### **— CHURCH, WILTON.**

**REV. D. H. SHORT, MINISTER.**

Since my removal into this Diocese, I have officiated in whole or in part, every Lord's day except one, when I was hindered by ill health—four times in Ridgefield, including Good Friday, and a third service on Sunday evening, once in Danbury, twice in the city of New York, and five Sundays in Wilton. I have engaged to supply the vacant Parish at Wilton for one half of the time, until the first of October next. In this Parish, I have baptised three infants, and one adult, administered the Holy Communion once, and attended two funerals, one of which was the funeral of Mr. James Church, who had been for many years an active member, a worthy communicant, and at the time of his death, the senior Warden of the Church.

### **UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.**

**REV. JOHN D. SMITH, RECTOR.**

Families, 110; baptisms—infants, 3; communicants—added 10, died or removed, 8, present number, 77; marriages, 7; burials, 8; Sunday school—teachers, 18, scholars, 65. Although various circumstances have had a tendency to discourage and weaken this Parish, yet by the blessing of God, it continues to exist and prosper. There are now several individuals waiting for an opportunity to receive the holy rite of confirmation. The ladies of the Parish are making very laudable and zealous efforts, by industry and pecuniary aid, to benefit the Church. The services of the Church are well attended, and a deep interest in its spiritual prosperity yet continues.

### **TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.**

**REV. SABURA S. STOCKING, RECTOR.**

Families, 205; baptisms—infants, 32; adults, 3; confirmed, 5; communicants—added anew, 13, by removal, 5, lost by death, 5, whole number, 229; marriages, 9; burials, 25; Sunday school—teachers, 28, scholars, about 175; Missionary and charitable contributions, \$306 86.

The comparatively small number of confirmations is to be attributed to the fact, that the day of the Bishop's visitation proved

to be so stormy, as to prevent the attendance of more than 20 of the candidates, who lived at a considerable distance from the Church.

It is with gratitude to the great Head of the Church, that the Rector is enabled to report, the increasing prosperity and continued union of the Parish of which he has charge.

## **ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, EAST PLYMOUTH.**

**REV. S. STOCKING, RECTOR.**

Families, 65; baptisms, 3; communicants—lost by death, 2; added by removal, 2, anew, 4, present number, 74; marriage, 1; burials, 11; Sunday school—teachers, 7, scholars, 35; contribution, \$12 25.

## **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STAMFORD.**

**REV. AMERSON S. TODD, RECTOR.**

Families, about 112; baptisms—infants, 17, adults, 2; confirmed, 6; communicants—added anew, 9, whole number, 150; marriages, 2; burials, 12; Sunday school—teachers, 10, scholars, about 70; missionary and charitable contributions exclusive of those connected with the Parish, \$81 09. Collection for Christian Knowledge Society, \$31.

In regard to the spiritual condition and prospects of his Parish, the Rector feels himself warranted in reporting favorably; and in behalf of himself and the flock committed to his charge, would appropriate the sentiment of the sainted Ken—"we would live and die in the communion of the Church, as it stands distinguished from all papal and puritan innovations, and as it adheres to the doctrines of the Cross!"

**REV. S. TOTTEN.**

I have been occupied during the past year, with my duties, as President of Washington College. On Sundays I have frequently officiated in Parishes destitute of a minister, or where the Rector was sick or absent from his Cure, but have kept no account of the number of Sundays thus employed. I have also the satisfaction to report that the prospects of the College are encouraging. There have been connected with it since the beginning of the present collegiate year, 76 undergraduates, and 6 resident graduates. Of these 32 are communicants of the Church. A greater number of students have been admitted the present year, than in any one year since I have been connected with the College. There are also indications of a deeper interest in its prosperity felt by the Church at large, than at any former period, and can the means be procured for effectually redeeming our pledge of affording as good instruction as is given in any College in the country, the institution will be placed upon a permanent foundation.

## TRINITY CHURCH, WOODBRIDGE.

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families, 25; communicants—added by removal, 2, anew, 1, present number, 10; marriages, 3; burials, 2; Sunday school—teachers, 6, scholars, 30; Missionary and charitable contributions for objects out of the Parish, — to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$5 00.

This Parish was organized on Easter Monday, 1843, since which period it has been supplied with ministerial services on Sundays, regularly, *one half* of the time. This is a missionary field—the Church being but little known, and few acquainted with its worship, usages, and doctrines. But the respectable attendance upon divine worship, and the desire manifested by many to learn the good old ways more perfectly, give reason to believe that the Church will become permanently established.

It is an encouraging circumstance that the young are engaged in the noble effort of providing for the orderly celebration of divine service, and affording facilities for information in the distinctive principles of the Church, through the medium of a select Parish Library. For these objects, and as an evidence too that the Parish have exerted themselves to a most commendable degree, it ought to be stated, that separate from the Rector's salary, they have expended, during the year, for improving the internal arrangement of their house of worship, for teachers of sacred music, and for Parish and Sunday school libraries, not less than \$15. The opportunity is gladly improved, gratefully to acknowledge a handsome donation from St. James' Parish, Derby, (Birmingham,) for the Sunday School Library, and to found a Parish Library.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW HAVEN, (WESTVILLE.)

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families, 30; baptisms—infants, 2; communicants—added anew, 8, by removal, 3, lost—by death, 4, removal, 3, present number, 27; marriages, 3; burials, 8; Sunday school—teachers, 4, scholars, 28; Church offerings and communion alms, \$27 76; appropriated to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$5, and the balance to the wants of the Parish.

It has been the portion of this Church, during the year, to experience in a peculiar degree, both prosperity and adversity. On the one hand, it has pleased God to remove by death several important pillars and much loved ornaments, whose loss weighed us down in sorrow, and but for the reflection, that the visitation was from Him who knoweth what is best, we might have yielded to despair.

On the other hand, the contributions of six Parishes in the County to our aid, the avails of a Fair liberally patronized by friends in the city and elsewhere, the exertions of several benevolent Ladies in New Haven, and the earnings of the Ladies' Sewing Society in our own Parish, amounting in all to \$550, have enabled us to pay the greater portion of a debt, with which the Church has, for a long time, been embarrassed.

### REV. ISAAC H. TUTTLE.

I would refer to the report of the present Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem, for the official acts in that Parish till my resignation of it at Easter last, when, by the appointment of the Trustees of Washington College, and at the request of the Bishop, I was associated with the Rev. Mr. Watson, in the agency for that institution.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. WM. WATSON, RECTOR.

Families, 108; baptisms—infants, 11, adult, 1, in all, 12; communicants—added by removal, 4, anew, 6, lost, by death, 5, by removal, 9, present number, 223; marriages, 8; burials, 9; Sunday schools—teachers, 6, scholars, 125; Missionary and charitable contributions—Church Missions without the Diocese, equally divided between the Foreign and Domestic departments, \$50; General Theological Seminary, \$10; for the support of Theophilus Morris, in one of our mission schools in Africa, \$20; for the Christian Knowledge Society, \$50, Church Scholarship Society, from the Ladies Sewing circles, \$50; for the new Church to be erected at Wolcottville, \$230; collections on hand unappropriated, \$9 41; total for objects extra-parochial, \$419 41.

The small number of Sunday school teachers reported is in consequence of the minister taking upon himself the instruction of a large part of the school. He has also a Bible Class, held on the evening of the Lord's day, which is well attended. Had the Bishop been able to visit us, we should have had, this year as every year heretofore, a confirmation to record; a considerable number will be ready to receive this Apostolic rite, at his hands when he shall come.

In view of these statements and the preceding statistics, we may safely pronounce the condition of this Parish to be healthy and prosperous through His blessing who giveth the increase.

### ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, MILFORD.

REV. FREDINAND E. WHITE, RECTOR.

Families, 37; baptisms—infants, 1; communicants—added, 10, present number, 60; burials, 3; collections, \$5 94. I officiated in this Parish on every other Sunday, until Easter last; since which time my services have been, and will continue to be, wholly given to it.

The Parish has, during the year past, received some degree of numerical strength. They have been generously aided in their Christian efforts to repair and adorn both the interior and exterior of the Church, and have also enclosed a considerable portion of the grounds around it, which have heretofore remained open. A renewed effort has been made to have full clerical services on every Lord's day; the effect of which as well as of the continued rubrical observance of the other Holy Days of the Church, will be known, it is trusted, in the silent increase of Christian unity and strength. The weekly catechizing of the children "openly in the Church" is continued, and, as is believed, with

greater profit both to these and to others than would result from a Sunday School.

### CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.

REV. FERDINAND E. WHITE, LATE MINISTER.

My connection with this Parish terminated on Easter last, and the following Report has reference only to the time during which I had charge of the Congregation.

Families, 42; baptisms—infants, 4; communicants, 37; burials, 2; collections, \$13 50.

The distance between this Parish, and that in Milford, precluded during the year, that attention to the former which is necessary for its growth and strength. It is hoped that they may in this Parish be moved in the good Providence of God, to make a successful effort towards having the full services of a clergyman every Lord's day. It is believed that one year's trial would lead to a happy and continued effort, and be associated with the most grateful recollections.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

REV. WM. WARLAND, RECTOR.

Families, 83; baptisms—infants, 2; confirmed, 5; communicants—graduated anew, 6, present number, 39; burials, 3; Sunday School—teachers, 6, scholars, 30; contribution for missions, \$5 64. During the past year a Parish has been organized in Canaan, which has taken several of the families who reside more conveniently in that town, and thus reduced the number reported at the last Congregation. In other respects, the condition and prospects of this Parish remain nearly the same as they were a year since.

### GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

REV. JUNIUS MARSHALL WILLEY, MINISTER.

The report of the Rev. Mr. French, having embraced all the official acts in this Parish during the past year, and the present minister having officiated in the Parish but three Sundays, he can add nothing of interest respecting its condition.

### CHRIST CHURCH, BETHANY.

REV. F. E. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

Families, about 60; baptisms—infants, 8; burials, 9; marriages, 6; communicants—diminished by deaths and removal, 6, present number 120; Sunday school—teachers, 12, scholars, 26; bible class, 14; collections for charitable purposes, \$20, most of which have been applied toward the support of an indigent and blind communicant.

The Parish has suffered loss by death and removal, but the survivors do not allow themselves to cease from labor. The slips in the church have been assessed, and most if not all are purchased. There is generally no lack of liberality on the part of those who are that there are conditions connected with the gospel plan of salvation.



**CHRIST CHURCH, GREENWICH.**

REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Since the last annual report, there have been in this Parish, baptisms—infants, 14, adults, 4, total, 18; confirmations, 15; communicants—added by removal, 1, lost by death 4; marriages, 1; burials—infants, 3, adults, 10, total, 13; Sunday school—teachers, 10, scholars, 40; Church offerings, \$46.

Through the liberality of the congregation, a neat and convenient house is now enclosed which will be completed in September for the use of the Rector.

**EMMANUEL CHURCH, GLENVILLE.**

REV. B. M. YARRINGTON.

The Rev. Elijah Gulon has officiated in Emmanuel Chapel, Glenville, since last fall. Services commence there late in the afternoon, and again in the evening, thus affording an opportunity to those so disposed, to attend both.

Sunday school—teachers, 6, scholars, 30.

**CHRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON.**

REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families, 47; baptisms—infants, 4; confirmed, (1 from Trinity Church, Wolcottville,) 8; communicants—added by removal, 2, anew, 5, died, 3, removed 2, present number, 47; marriages, 2; burials, 8; Sunday school—teachers, 6, scholars, 30; missionary and charitable contributions, \$15.

The Sewing Society, which meets once a fortnight, have appropriated the avails of their labor to parochial objects.

In addition to the usual services, lectures have generally been delivered on Sunday evenings, and once during the week, at some place remote from the centre, which have it is believed, been highly beneficial.

The Parish has been blessed with a good degree of harmony, and is as prosperous as can reasonably be anticipated, considering its late organization, pecuniary ability, and the difficulties with which, in common with all new Parishes, it has to contend.

**TRINITY CHURCH, WOLCOTTVILLE.**

REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families, 28; confirmed, 1; communicants—removed, 1, added anew, 3; burials, 3; Sunday school—teachers, 4, scholars, 30, bible class, composed of young ladies under the immediate care of the Rector, 10.

The corner stone of a new house of worship for this Society was laid on the 8th of May, by the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, the frame was raised last week, and it is expected that it will be ready for consecration the coming autumn.

The Rector takes pleasure in stating that the congregation have exerted themselves to their utmost ability to secure this desirable object, and with the aid, which they have obtained from their brethren in different parts of the Diocese, whose benefactions,



were timely and munificent, and which indicate a state of piety, and devotion to the cause worthy of the best days of the Church, they will be able to erect a neat and commodious house of prayer, which will in all respects, meet the wants of the flourishing village where it is located, without being burdened with debt.

The following sums have been subscribed towards the erection of the Church in Wolcottville, by the Parishes here named respectively, to which we desire, publicly in this Convention, to make grateful acknowledgments, viz:

St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, \$230; St. John's Church, Waterbury, \$200, besides a quarto Bible and Prayer Book for the desk, from Mrs. Wm. H. Scovill, and a communion set and altar cloths from the Ladies' Sewing Society; Hartford—from Christ and St. John's Churches, \$240; Christ Church, Watertown, (including a donation of \$10 from Dr. Holcomb,) \$80; St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, \$120; Christ Church, Harwinton, from two persons who are ecclesiastically connected with said Church, and who also attend services at Wolcottville when there is preaching there, \$50; Milton, \$20; St. Michael's Church, Naugatuc, \$25; Northfield, \$7; a few friends of the Church at Avon, \$30. In addition to the above, John C. Thatcher, Esq. of New York city, has presented two chandeliers to the Church, which originally cost \$200.

It is the fervent prayer of the Rector of this new and important Parish, that God may crown their efforts with success, and build them up into "an holy temple," acceptable unto the Lord.

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**DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN**  
**THE CONVENTION, 1844.**

**Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D., Bishop; re-**  
**siding at Hartford.**

**Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rector of St. James' Church, Derby.**

**Rev. Wm. Atwill, Rector of Christ Church, Reading.**

**\*Rev Ashbel Baldwin.**

**Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Guil-**  
**ford, and Union Church, Killingworth.**

**Rev. H. H. Bates, Rector of St. John's Church, Warehouse**  
**Point.**

**Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley, Rector of St. Peter's Church,**  
**Cheshire.**

**Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Gullford.**

**\*Rev. George Benton, Missionary to Crete.**

**\*Rev. James W. Bradin, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New**  
**Canaan.**

**Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.**

**Rev. Edward C. Bull, Rector of Christ Church, Westport.**

**Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.**

**Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., residing at Poughkeepsie.**

**Rev. Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.**

**Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, Minister of Trinity Church, Milton.**

**Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven,**  
**and Editor of the Church Chronicle and Record.**

**Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury.**

**Rev. Jonathan Coe, 2d. Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.**

**Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's Church, Bridgeport.**

**Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fair-**  
**field.**

**Rev. Wm. B. Corbin, Missionary at Windsor, West Hartford,**  
**and Manchester.**

**Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.**

**Rev. A. C. Coxe, Rector of St. John's Church, Hartford.**

**Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Parish, New**  
**Haven.**

**Rev. Henry de Koven, Minister of St. Stephen's Church, East**  
**Haddam.**

**Rev. Giles H. Deshon, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Windham.**

**\*Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, Rector of Trinity Church, Bantam Falls.**

**Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.**

**Rev. Charles W. Everest, Rector of Grace Church, Hamden.**

**Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector of St. John's Church, North Haven,**  
**and St. Andrew's Church, Northford.**

**Rev. George W. Fash, Missionary at Kent and Canaan.**

**Rev. George L. Foote, Minister of Christ Church, Roxbury, and**  
**St. John's Church, Washington.**

**Rev. Wm. G. French, Minister of All Saint's Church, Wolcott.**

**Rev. Wm. H. Fribble, Minister of Union Church, Hitchcocks-ville.**

**Rev. George S. Gordon, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Hunting-  
ton.**

**Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Britain.**

**Rev. Thomas T. Guion, Rector of St. James' Church, and St.  
Thomas' Chapel, Danbury.**

**Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James' Church, New Lon-  
don.**

**Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., Minister of Christ Church, Middletown.**

**Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wood-  
bury.**

**Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church,  
Northfield.**

**Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Nauga-  
tuck.**

**Rev. Warner Hoyt, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.**

**Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New Mil-  
ford.**

**\*Rev. Samuel Farmar Jarvis, D. D., Rector of the Church of the  
Holy Trinity, Haddam.**

**Rev. William Jarvis, residing at Portland.**

**Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.**

**\*Rev. Isaac Jones, residing at Litchfield.**

**\*Rev. Truman Marsh, " "**

**Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church,  
Norwalk.**

**Rev. Frederick Miller, Jun., Rector of Trinity Church, Bran-  
ford.**

**Rev. William F. Morgan, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish,  
New Haven.**

**Rev. John Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.**

**Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.**

**Rev. Joseph Hulbert Nichols, an Assistant Minister of Trinity  
Parish, New Haven.**

**Rev. Abel Nichols, Rector of Christ Church, Oxford.**

**Rev. George H. Nichols, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Glasten-  
bury.**

**Rev. George W. Nichols, Minister of Christ Church, East Ha-  
ven.**

**Rev. David Ogden.**

**Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.**

**Rev. Roswell Park, Rector of Christ Church, Pomfret.**

**Rev. William Payne, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litch-  
field.**

**Rev. Dexter Potter, Rector of St. James' Church, Preston, (Po-  
quetonnuck.)**

**Rev. John Purves, Associate Rector of the Church in Danbury.**

**Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church, Water-  
town.**

**Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Monroe.**

**\*Rev. T. S. Savage, Missionary to Africa.**

**Rev. Joseph Scott, Rector of Christ Church, Derby.**

**Rev. D. H. Short, Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.**

**Rev. J. D. Smith, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.**

Rev. Servilius Stocking, officiating in St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.

Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.

Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector of St. John's Church, Stamford.

Rev. David G. Tomlinson, residing at Trumbull.

Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., President of Washington College, Hartford.

Rev. Henry Townsend, Rector of St. James' Church, Westville, and Trinity Church, Woodbridge.

Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, Assistant of Rev. Wm. Watson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.

Rev. William Warland, Jr., Rector of St. John's Church, Salisbury.

\*Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Tariffville, (Simsbury.)

Rev. William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.

Rev. Ferdinand E. White, Rector of St. George's Church, Milford.

Rev. J. M. Willey, Minister of Grace Church, Saybrook.

Rev. Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.

Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.

Rev. Henry Zell, Rector of Trinity Parish, Wolcottville, and Christ Church, Harwinton.

Total, 86.

Clergymen to whose names an asterisk (\*) is prefixed, were not present during the session of the Convention.

#### CLERGY NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1844.

|                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Rev. J. D. Berry,  | Rev. G. S. White,         |
| " B. Benham,       | " M. Wilcox,              |
| " P. G. Clark,     | " G. A. Sterling,         |
| " A. Geer,         | " A. Spooner,             |
| " E. J. Ives,      | " J. H. Hanson,           |
| " Z. H. Mansfield, | " H. B. Sherman,          |
| " B. G. Noble,     | " C. W. Bradley, of N. Y. |
| " E. M. Porter,    | Total, 15.                |

#### CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Isaac Hubbard, A. B.     | Henry Olmstead, A. B.     |
| *Henry D. Noble, A. B.   | Charles W. Wooster, A. B. |
| James G. Blair, A. B.    | William E. Vibbert.       |
| Francis J. Clerc, A. B.  | Abel Ogden, A. B.         |
| Henry Edwards, A. B.     | Thomas S. Preston, A. B.  |
| Thomas M. Peters, A. B.  | Henry V. Gardner, A. B.   |
| William H. Clark, A. B.  | Joseph P. Taylor, A. B.   |
| Charles R. Fisher, A. B. | George Rossiter, A. B.    |
| Charles H. Hall, A. B.   | John S. Brandigee, A. B.  |
| George J. Geer, A. B.    | Total, 19.                |

\* Ordained since the Convention.

# LIST OF THE PARISHES

## OF THE

### PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, 1844.

#### HARTFORD COUNTY.

Hartford, { Christ Church,  
                  { St. John's Church,  
                  { St. James' Parish, (West Hartford.)  
Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.  
Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.  
Granby, St Peter's Church.  
East Windsor, (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.  
Southington, ——— Church.  
Bristol, Trinity Church.  
Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

#### WINDHAM COUNTY.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.  
Pomfret, Christ Church.  
Windham, St. Paul's Church.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Middletown, Christ Church.  
Portland, Trinity Church.  
Middle Haddam, Christ Church.  
East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.  
Saybrook, { Grace Church,  
                  { St. John's Church, (Essex.)  
North Killingworth, Union Church.  
Haddam, Church of the Holy Trinity.

#### NEW LONDON COUNTY.

New London, St. James' Church.  
Norwich, Christ Church.  
Preston, (Poquetonnock,) St. James' Church.  
Salem, Christ Church.

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

New Haven, { Trinity Church,  
                  { St. Paul's Chapel,  
                  { St. James' Church, (Westville,)  
                  { St. Luke's Church, (African,)  
Guilford, Christ Church.  
North Guilford, St. John's Church.  
Branford, Trinity Church.  
North Branford, Christ Church.  
East Haven, { Christ Church,  
                  { St. James' Church, (Fair Haven.)

North Haven, St. John's Church.  
 Northford, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.  
 Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.  
 Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Hamden, Grace Church.  
 West Haven, Christ Church.  
 Milford, St. George's Church.  
 Derby, { St. James' Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Birmingham.)  
 Humphreysville, Union Church.  
 Oxford, { St. Peter's Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Quaker's Farm.)  
 Waterbury, St. John's Church.  
 Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Church.  
 Middlebury, ——— Church.  
 Bethany, Christ Church.  
 Wolcott, All Saints' Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Stratford, Christ Church.  
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.  
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.  
 Weston, ——— Church.  
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.  
 Stamford, St. John's Church.  
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.  
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.  
 Danbury, { St. James' Church,  
           { St. Thomas' Chapel, (Bethel.)  
 Reading, Christ Church.  
 Newtown, { Trinity Church,  
           { St. James' Church, (Zoar.)  
 Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.  
 Huntington, St. Paul's Church.  
 Monroe, St. Peter's Church.  
 Trumbull, Christ Church.  
 New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.  
 Greenwich, { Christ Church,  
               { Emmanuel Church, (Glenville.)  
 Westport Christ Church.

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.  
 Bradleyville, ——— Church.  
 Milton, ——— Church.  
 Northfield, Trinity Church.  
 New Milford, St. John's Church.  
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.  
 Sharon, Christ Church.  
 Kent, St. Andrew's Church.  
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Washington, St. John's Church.

Salisbury, St. John's Church.  
 Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.  
 Roxbury, Christ Church.  
 Watertown, Christ Church.  
 Canaan, ——— Church.  
 Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church,  
                   { St. Matthew's Church.  
 Hitchcockville, Union Church.  
 Harwinton, Christ Church.  
 Wolcottville, Trinity Parish.

**TOLLAND COUNTY.**

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.

## APPENDIX NO. II.

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Dr. Diocese of Connecticut in account with E. E. Beardsley, Treasurer. Cr.*

|       |                       |                 |                       |          |                 |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------|
| 1843. |                       |                 | 1843.                 |          |                 |
| June. | To Stationery,        | \$1 75          | By cash from sun-     |          |                 |
| July. | Freight,              | 1 31            | dry Parishes, as      |          |                 |
| 14.   | Cash paid Case, Tif-  |                 | per Journal, 1843,    |          |                 |
|       | fany & Burnham,       |                 | pp. 59, 60,           | \$206 80 |                 |
|       | for printing Jour-    |                 | Aug. By cash from St. |          |                 |
|       | nal and Charge,       | 153 09          | Luke's Church,        |          |                 |
| Aug.  | Cash paid H. S. Par-  |                 | Glastenbury,          | 3 75     |                 |
| 1.    | sons,                 | 3 75            |                       |          |                 |
| Sept. | Paid for transcribing |                 |                       |          |                 |
| 20.   | Journal,              | 1 50            |                       |          |                 |
|       | Binding two vols.     |                 |                       |          |                 |
|       | Diocesan Journal,     | 1 00            |                       |          |                 |
| 1844. |                       |                 |                       |          |                 |
| June  | Sundry Postages,      | 3 33            |                       |          |                 |
| 10.   | Due Treasurer on      |                 |                       |          |                 |
|       | old account,          | 17 11           |                       |          |                 |
|       | Printing circular of  |                 |                       |          |                 |
|       | Standing Com-         |                 |                       |          |                 |
|       | mittee,               | 1 50            |                       |          |                 |
|       | Balance to new ac-    |                 |                       |          |                 |
|       | count,                | 26 21           |                       |          |                 |
|       |                       | <u>\$210 55</u> |                       |          | <u>\$210 55</u> |

*The following Parishes have paid their assessments to the Convention Fund for 1844, as required by Canon II.*

|                                      |       |        |
|--------------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Christ Church, Greenwich,            | - - - | \$3 75 |
| St. John's Church, Hartford,         | - - - | 7 50   |
| St. James' Church, New London,       | - - - | 5 62½  |
| St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,      | - - - | 3 75   |
| Christ Church, Bethlem,              | - - - | 3 37½  |
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,        | - - - | 4 87½  |
| St. Peter's Church, Monroe,          | - - - | 2 00   |
| Christ Church, Watertown,            | - - - | 4 50   |
| St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth, | - - - | 2 25   |



|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| St. James' Church, Derby,           | 5 00  |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,         | 4 50  |
| Christ Church, Westport,            | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Quaker's Farm,       | 1 87½ |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford,  | 1 25  |
| Trinity Church, Newtown,            | 4 87½ |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield,          | 4 50  |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonuck,     | 1 00  |
| Christ Church, Stratford,           | 3 00  |
| Christ Church, Sharon,              | 2 62½ |
| St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,     | 3 75  |
| St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,   | 3 75  |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford,     | 1 87½ |
| Union Church, Humphreysville,       | 3 00  |
| Christ Church, Middletown,          | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Guilford,            | 3 75  |
| Trinity Church, Portland,           | 4 50  |
| Christ Church, Roxbury,             | 1 50  |
| St. Paul's Church, Woodbury,        | 2 25  |
| Union Church, Hitchcocksville,      | 1 50  |
| St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,     | 1 87½ |
| All Saint's Church, Wolcott,        | 1 00  |
| St. James' Church, Westville,       | 1 25  |
| Trinity Church, Woodbridge,         | 1 25  |
| Christ Church, Bethany,             | 3 75  |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport,      | 7 50  |
| Christ Church, Norwich,             | 6 75  |
| St. Andrew's Church, Meriden,       | 3 75  |
| St. George's Church, Milford,       | 2 25  |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,       | 3 37½ |
| Trinity Church, Bristol,            | 2 00  |
| Trinity Church, Branford,           | 3 00  |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,    | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Derby,               | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Hartford,            | 9 00  |
| St. John's Church, North Haven,     | 1 00  |
| Grace Church, Hamden,               | 3 18½ |
| St. Andrew's Church, New Preston,   | 1 87½ |
| St. Paul's Church, Windham,         | 3 00  |
| Christ Church, East Haven,          | 1 50  |
| Christ Church, Middle Haddam,       | 2 00  |
| Christ Church, Trumbull,            | 3 00  |
| St. Paul's Church, Huntington,      | 3 00  |
| St. John's Church, Stamford,        | 4 50  |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury,       | 5 62½ |
| St. James' Church, Danbury,         | 3 75  |
| St. Thomas' Chapel, Bethel,         | 3 75  |
| St. John's Church, New Milford,     | 3 75  |
| St. John's Church, Warehouse Point, | 3 00  |
| Trinity Parish, New Haven,          | 21 00 |
| Christ Church, West Haven,          | 1 00  |

\$215 06½

*The following Parishes did not pay into the Convention Fund,  
for the current year.*

|               |                        |              |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Bantam Falls, | Litchfield,            | Pomfret,     |
| Brooklyn,     | Middlebury,            | Reading,     |
| Brookfield,   | Milton,                | Salem,       |
| Canaan,       | New Britain,           | Saybrook,    |
| Essex,        | New Canaan,            | Simsbury,    |
| East Haddam,  | Northfield,            | Southington, |
| Granby,       | North Branford,        | Washington,  |
| Harwinton,    | Oxford, (St. Peter's } | Weston,      |
| Kent,         | Church, )              | Wilton. 27.  |
| Killingworth, |                        |              |

## APPENDIX NO. III.

*The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, in account  
with Samuel Farmar Jarvis, Treasurer, DR.*

|           |                                                                                                                                      |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1843.     |                                                                                                                                      |
| June 14.  | To cash paid by Rev. Dr. Croswell, April 24th, 1843—a special appropriation from Trinity Parish, New Haven, to Grace Church, Hamden, |
|           | \$50 00                                                                                                                              |
|           | To paid on arrearages of appropriations due at Easter, 1843, as follows:                                                             |
|           | Rev. Joseph Scott, Warehouse Point,                                                                                                  |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " John M. Guion, New Britain,                                                                                                        |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Servilius Stocking, Wolcott,                                                                                                       |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Geo. L. Foote, Kent,                                                                                                               |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Isaac H. Tuttle, Bethlem,                                                                                                          |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Henry Townsend, Westville,                                                                                                         |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " B. M. Yarrington, Glenville,                                                                                                       |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Geo. A. Sterling, Huntington,                                                                                                      |
|           | 15 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,                                                                                                         |
|           | 15 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " D. Baldwin, North Branford,                                                                                                        |
|           | 30 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Joseph S. Covell, Bristol,                                                                                                         |
|           | 12 50                                                                                                                                |
| 15.       | To paid Rev. Wm. Watson, for Rev. G. L. Foote, being the Litchfield County appropriation for St. Andrew's, Kent,                     |
|           | 107 00                                                                                                                               |
| Aug. 14.  | To paid Rev. Dr. Burhans, the full appropriation for St. James', Newtown, for the year ending at Easter, 1844.                       |
|           | 30 00                                                                                                                                |
| 16.       | To paid Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, special allowance for Woodbury from St. John's, Waterbury,                                             |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
| Sept. 14. | To paid at sundry times from date to Nov. 29th, Michaelmas appropriation for 1843, as follows:                                       |
|           | Rev. H. Zell, Wolcottville,                                                                                                          |
|           | 12 50                                                                                                                                |
|           | " A. B. Chapin, West Haven,                                                                                                          |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " William Atwill, Weston,                                                                                                            |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Emery M. Porter, Bantam Falls,                                                                                                     |
|           | 15 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D., Haddam,                                                                                                   |
|           | 12 50                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Isaac H. Tuttle, Bethlem,                                                                                                          |
|           | 15 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Joseph Scott, Warehouse Point,                                                                                                     |
|           | 15 00                                                                                                                                |
|           | " Samuel T. Carpenter, Sharon,                                                                                                       |
|           | 12 50                                                                                                                                |
|           | " S. Nash, Middle Haddam,                                                                                                            |
|           | 25 00                                                                                                                                |
| Dec. 1.   | To paid Rev. Geo. L. Foote—special appropriation for Kent, from Trinity Church, Newtown,                                             |
|           | 12 65                                                                                                                                |
|           | (Amount carried over.)                                                                                                               |
|           | \$629 65                                                                                                                             |

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|           | (Amount brought over.)                                                                                                                                            | \$629 65   |
| Dec. 1.   | To paid Rev. S. Nash, Middle Haddam,                                                                                                                              | 25 00      |
|           | To paid Rev. C. W. Everest, Hamden,                                                                                                                               | 25 00      |
| 1844.     |                                                                                                                                                                   |            |
| Jan. 14.  | To paid bill of Prayer Books for Wolcottville—<br>special appropriation from Christ Church,<br>Hartford,                                                          | 6 00.      |
| 17.       | To paid Rev. Roswell Park, Pomfret—special<br>appropriation from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                         | 50 00      |
|           | To paid Rev. Ferdinand E. White, Milford—<br>special appropriation from Christ Church,<br>Hartford, \$20; and do. from St. John's, Hart-<br>ford, \$10,           | 30 00      |
| 28.       | To paid Rev. Mr. Corbin—special appropria-<br>tion from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                                  | 8 00       |
| April 18. | To paid at sundry times from date to June 11th,<br>Easter appropriations for 1844, as follows:                                                                    |            |
|           | Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, Bethlem,                                                                                                                                    | 15 00      |
|           | " A. B. Chapin, West Haven,                                                                                                                                       | 25 00      |
|           | " Joseph Scott, Warehouse Point,                                                                                                                                  | 15 00      |
|           | " Dexter Potter, Poquetonnock,                                                                                                                                    | 25 00      |
|           | " Henry Townsend, Westville,                                                                                                                                      | 25 00      |
|           | " Henry Townsend, Woodbridge,                                                                                                                                     | 12 50      |
|           | " S. Farmer Jarvis, D. D., Haddam,                                                                                                                                | 12 50      |
|           | " Sylvester Nash, Middle Haddam,                                                                                                                                  | 25 00      |
|           | " B. M. Yarrington, Glenville,                                                                                                                                    | 15 00      |
|           | " William Atwill, Weston,                                                                                                                                         | 25 00      |
|           | " C. W. Everest, Hamden,                                                                                                                                          | 25 00      |
|           | " S. T. Carpenter, Sharon,                                                                                                                                        | 12 50      |
|           | " S. G. Hitchcock, Woodbury,                                                                                                                                      | 15 00      |
|           | " Henry Zell, Wolcottville,                                                                                                                                       | 12 50      |
|           | " John M. Guion, New Britain,                                                                                                                                     | 25 00      |
|           | " John M. Guion, Wolcott,                                                                                                                                         | 25 00      |
|           | " D. Baldwin, North Branford,                                                                                                                                     | 15 00      |
|           | " Giles H. Deshon, Windham,                                                                                                                                       | 15 00      |
|           | To paid Rev. D. Baldwin, North Branford,<br>Michaelmas appropriation for 1843,                                                                                    | 15 00      |
|           | To paid Giles H. Deshon, Windham, Michael-<br>mas appropriation for 1843,                                                                                         | 15 00      |
| June 11.  | To paid by Rev. Dr. Holcomb, to Rev. Wm.<br>H. Frisbie—special appropriations, viz:                                                                               |            |
|           | From St. John's, Waterbury,                                                                                                                                       | \$30 00    |
|           | From Christ Church, Harwinton,                                                                                                                                    | 13 00      |
|           | From Union Church, Hitchcocksville,                                                                                                                               | 4 00—47 00 |
|           | To cash temporarily loaned from the permanent<br>fund, and bearing interest from Nov. 28th,<br>1843,                                                              | 100 00     |
|           | To paid Rev. Wm. H. Frisbie—special approp-<br>riations from sundry Parishes in Litchfield<br>County, for Missionary services therein, dur-<br>ing the past year, | 72 15      |
|           | To balance to be carried to new account,                                                                                                                          | 606 16     |
|           |                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>      |
|           |                                                                                                                                                                   | \$1968 96  |

*Per Contra.*

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| 43.    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |           |
| ne 14. | By balance of last account as per Journal of 1843, p. 62,                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | \$518       | 22        |
|        | By Rev. H. Fitch's receipt for special appropriation paid him by Rev. Dr. Croswell, from Trinity Parish, New Haven,                                                                                                                                                       | 50          | 00        |
|        | By collection in St. John's, Hartford, at the annual sermon,                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 41          | 83        |
|        | By total amount received at the Convention from forty-three Churches in forty-two towns, including \$25 for Woodbury, from St. John's, Waterbury; \$12 65 from Trinity Church, Newtown; \$2 50 from St. John's, Washington; \$2 50 from Christ Church, Roxbury, for Kent, | \$499       | 35        |
|        | Less for loss in exchange,*                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 37          | —428 98   |
|        | By interest due the 12th inst. on Miss Vashti Sherman's legacy,                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 22          | 02        |
| pt. 7. | By dividend on two shares Phoenix Bank stock, declared, Sept. 1st,                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 6           | 00        |
| 28.    | By collection in Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 65          | 00        |
| 44.    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |             |           |
| n. 14. | By special appropriations from Christ Church, Hartford, viz:                                                                                                                                                                                                              |             |           |
|        | To Pomfret, \$50; to Milford, \$20;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 70          | 00        |
|        | By cash from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 44          | 37        |
| 15.    | By special appropriation from St. John's, Hartford, for Milford,                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 10          | 00        |
|        | By cash from St. John's, Hartford,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 11          | 87        |
| ch 19. | By collection in St. James' Church, Derby,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 23          | 00        |
| lay 1. | By cash balance in full repayment of \$50, appropriated to St. John's, Essex, June, 1840,                                                                                                                                                                                 | 12          | 00        |
| 12.    | By special appropriation from Christ Church, Hartford, for Windsor, West Hartford and Manchester,                                                                                                                                                                         | 96          | 65        |
| me 10. | By cash through Rev. George Burgess, from Miss Hetty B. Hart, executrix of Mrs. Elizabeth Hart, full amount of her legacy,                                                                                                                                                | 500         | 00        |
| 11.    | By Rev. Wm. H. Frisbie's receipt for cash paid special appropriations, viz:                                                                                                                                                                                               |             |           |
|        | From St. John's, Waterbury, \$30; Christ Church, Harwinton, \$18; and Union Church, Hitchcocksville, \$4;                                                                                                                                                                 | 47          | 00        |
| 12.    | By interest due and paid this day on the legacy of Miss Vashti Sherman,                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 22          | 02        |
|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <u>1968</u> | <u>96</u> |

In submitting the eighth account current for the year ending is day, it may be proper to remark, that the arrearages mentioned in the last report, have all been cancelled; and that, of the appropriations allowed for the current year, one only remains unpaid.

\* See Appendix No. IV.

Yet, from the balance on hand, \$606 16, the following special appropriations which remain unpaid, being deducted—viz: from St. John's. Church, Washington, for Kent, \$2 50; from Christ Church, Roxbury, for Kent, \$2 50; and from Christ Church, Hartford, for the Missionary at Windsor, West Hartford, and Manchester, \$96 65; and the Easter appropriation remaining due to Rev. E. M. Porter, for services in Bantam Falls, \$15; amounting in all to \$116 65—there is left an actual unappropriated balance on hand of \$489 51. All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer.

HENRY BEERS SHERMAN.

MIDDLETOWN, June 12, 1844.

*Contributions to the Christian Knowledge Society, June 11th,  
and 12th, 1844.*

|                                                              |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| From Mrs. Amy Peck, Brookfield,                              | \$4 50       |
| From St. Peter's Church, Monroe,                             | 3 00         |
| From St. James' do. New London,                              | 39 42        |
| From Christ do. Guilford,                                    | 5 00         |
| From All Saints' do. Wolcott,                                | 3 00         |
| From Trinity do. Portland,                                   | 20 00        |
| From St. John's do. North Guilford,                          | 2 00         |
| From Christ do. Norwich,                                     | 20 00        |
| From St. James' do. New Haven, (Westville,)                  | 5 00         |
| From Trinity do. Woodbridge,                                 | 5 00         |
| From St. Michael's do. Litchfield,                           | 6 00         |
| From Christ do. Greenwich,                                   | 6 00         |
| From St. Michael's do. Naugatuck,                            | 7 00         |
| From Zion do. North Branford,                                | 4 32         |
| From Trinity do. Branford,                                   | 9 40         |
| From Christ do. Derby,                                       | 5 00         |
| From Union do. Humphreysville,                               | 5 00         |
| From St. Andrew's do. Northford,                             | 5 00         |
| From St. John's, do. North Haven,                            | 3 00         |
| From Trinity do. Fairfield,                                  | 10 00        |
| From Ladies Society, do.                                     | 5 00         |
| From St. James' Church, Danbury,                             | 5 50         |
| From St. James' do. Poquetonnock,                            | 1 00         |
| From St. Peter's do. Cheshire,                               | 3 00         |
| From St. Paul's do. Brookfield,                              | 1 62         |
| From St. Paul's do. Norwalk,                                 | 15 85        |
| From St. Paul's do. Norwalk, for St. James' Church, Danbury, | \$50 00      |
| From Trinity Church, Newtown, for do.                        | 20 00        |
| From Christ do. Reading, for do.                             | 5 00         |
| From St. Matthew's do. Wilton, for do.                       | 5 32         |
| From St. John's do. Stamford, for do.                        | 31 00        |
| From Christ do. Westport, for do.                            | 15 00        |
| From St. Stephen's do. Ridgefield, for do.                   | 15 00        |
| From St. John's do. Bridgeport, for do.                      | 15 00—156 32 |

(Amount carried up.) \$365 93

(Amount brought up,) \$365 93

|                                                                 |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| From St. John's Church, Bridgeport,                             | 6 00       |
| From St. John's do. Waterbury,                                  | 25 00      |
| From do. do. do. for St. Paul's Church,<br>Woodbury,            | 25 00      |
| From St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,                              | 17 00      |
| From do. do. do. for Litch-<br>field County Missionary Society, | 33 00      |
| From Christ Church, Roxbury, for do.                            | 7 20       |
| From St. John's Church, Washington, for do.                     | 5 58       |
| From St. Paul's Church, Woodbury, for do.                       | 4 68—50 46 |

Total, \$489 39

Collected by Daniel Russell, at New Haven, June 11th and 12th,  
1844.

DANIEL RUSSELL.

## APPENDIX NO. IV.

### CONTRIBUTIONS OF PARISHES TO THE CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY, AT THE CONVENTION OF 1843.

The following list of receipts should have been entered upon the Journal of 1843, but was omitted through an oversight. By reference to the Journal of the present year, (1844,) it will be perceived that the above amount is duly credited in the Treasurer's ACCOUNT CURRENT.

#### HARTFORD COUNTY.

|                                             |         |       |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Hartford, St. John's Church, by the Rector, | \$20 00 |       |
| Bristol, Trinity Church, do.                | 7 00    |       |
| New Britain, St. Mark's Church, do.         | 5 00    |       |
|                                             | —       | 32 00 |

#### NEW LONDON COUNTY.

|                                                 |       |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| New London, St. James' Church, by the Rector,   | 12 36 |       |
| Norwich, Christ Church, by Hon. J. W. White,    | 35 00 |       |
| Poquetonnock, St. James' Church, by the Rector, | 4 00  |       |
|                                                 | —     | 51 36 |

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

|                                                 |       |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Middletown, Christ Church, by the Curate,       | 1 20  |       |
| Portland, Trinity Church, by the Rector,        | 20 00 |       |
| Middle Haddam, Christ Church, do.               | 5 33  |       |
| Saybrook, Grace Church, from Rev. H. Stanley,   | 3 00  |       |
| Essexborough, St. John's Church, by the Rector, | 10 00 |       |
| North Killingworth, Union Church, do.           | 1 00  |       |
|                                                 | —     | 40 53 |

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

|                                              |      |        |
|----------------------------------------------|------|--------|
| Westville, St. James' Church, by the Rector, | 5 00 |        |
| Guilford, Christ Church, do.                 | 5 00 |        |
| North Guilford, St. John's Church, do.       | 4 00 |        |
| North Branford, Trinity Church, do.          | 1 00 |        |
| North Haven, St. John's Church, do.          | 4 00 |        |
| Hamden, Grace Church, do.                    | 5 00 |        |
| Derby, St. James' Church, do.                | 6 31 | —26 31 |

(Amount carried up,) 150 20



|                                                                                         |                      |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------|
|                                                                                         | (Amount brought up,) | 150 20 |
| Humphreysville, Union Church, by the Rector,                                            | 7 00                 |        |
| Oxford, St. Peter's Church, do.                                                         | 5 00                 |        |
| Waterbury, St. John's Church, do. (of which,<br>\$25 special for St. Paul's, Woodbury,) | 70 00                |        |
| Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church, by the Rector,                                         | 8 00                 |        |
| Wolcott, All Saints' Church, by Moses Pond,                                             | 1 88                 |        |
| Northford, St. Andrew's Church, by the Rector,                                          | 4 00                 |        |
|                                                                                         | —                    | 125 19 |

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

|                                                                                 |       |        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Fairfield, Trinity Parish, by the Rector,                                       | 14 00 |        |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's Church, do.                                                 | 22 02 |        |
| Stamford, St. John's Church, do.                                                | 18 00 |        |
| Wilton, St. Matthew's Church, do.                                               | 1 75  |        |
| Danbury, St. James' Church, do.                                                 | 8 00  |        |
| Newtown, Trinity Church, (of which, \$12 65 special<br>for St. Andrew's, Kent,) | 20 00 |        |
| Brookfield, St. Paul's Church, by L. H. Sherman,                                | 3 00  |        |
| Huntington, St. Paul's Church, by the Rector,                                   | 5 00  |        |
| Monroe, St. Peter's Church, do.                                                 | 2 50  |        |
| New Canaan, St. Mark's Church, do.                                              | 5 00  |        |
| Glenville, Emmanuel Church, do.                                                 | 10 00 |        |
| Westport, Christ Church, do.                                                    | 7 00  |        |
|                                                                                 | —     | 116 27 |

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

|                                                                         |       |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Kent, St. Andrew's Church, by the Rector,                               | 1 00  |          |
| Washington, St. John's Church, do. (special for<br>St. Andrew's, Kent,) | 2 50  |          |
| Bethlem, Christ Church, by the Rector,                                  | 8 00  |          |
| Plymouth, St. Peter's Church, do.                                       | 50 00 |          |
| Roxbury, Christ Church, do. (special for<br>St. Andrew's, Kent,)        | 2 50  |          |
|                                                                         | —     | 64 00    |
|                                                                         |       | 429 35   |
| Deduct for loss on Exchange,                                            |       | 37       |
|                                                                         |       | —        |
|                                                                         |       | \$428 98 |

*Parishes from which no returns were made at the Convention  
of 1843.*

*Hartford County.*—Hartford, (Christ Church;) Glastenbury;  
Simsbury; Granby; Warehouse Point; Southington; Windsor;  
West Hartford.

*Windham County.*—Windham; Brooklyn; Pomfret; Canterbury.

*Tolland County.*—Hebron.

*New London County*.—Salem.

*Middlesex County*.—East Haddam; Haddam.

*New Haven County*.—New Haven; Branford; East Haven; Wallingford, Cheshire; Meriden; West Haven; Milford; Quaker's Farms; Woodbridge; Middlebury; Bethany; Fair Haven.

*Fairfield County*.—Stratford; Bridgeport; Weston; Ridgefield; Newtown, (St. James';) Trumbull; Greenwich.

*Litchfield County*.—Litchfield; Bantam Falls; Milton; Northfield; Harwinton; Sharon; New Milford; Bridgewater; Woodbury; Watertown; Canaan; Cornwall; Goshen; Plymouth, (St. Matthew's;) Hitchcocksville; Salisbury; Wolcottville; New Preston.

## APPENDIX NO. V.

### CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

NEW HAVEN, June 11, 1844.

The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting at St. Paul's Chapel.

The Report of the Board of Education was read and accepted.

The Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year, viz.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REV. SILAS TOTTEN, D. D.

REV. ARTHUR C. COXE.

THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.

DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.

ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq.

DENISON MORGAN, Esq.

WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.

*Secretary*, Rev. GEORGE BURGESS.

*Treasurer*, JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Education be authorized to cancel or return any Notes of long standing, which, in their judgment, it may be equitable to remit on account of the obvious inability of the signers to make repayment.

*Resolved*, That this Society holds in grateful remembrance the Christian liberality of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hart, in bequeathing for its benefit the sum of five hundred dollars.

*Resolved*, That a copy of this vote be presented to the Executrix of the late Mrs. Hart.

GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary*.

#### REPORT.

The Church Scholarship Society has been enabled, by the blessing of God, to complete another year in undiminished prosperity.

Eleven beneficiaries at present receive its aid, all of whom are under-graduates of Washington College. Of this number, four have been admitted since the last Annual Report. Five, on the other hand ceased to be connected with the Society on completing their collegiate course in August.

The sum of \$555 40 has been repaid to the Treasury of the Society during the year, by former beneficiaries. The whole amount repaid since the foundation of the Society is \$3,353 30; the whole amount of loans being \$13,599 34. It will be remembered that this proportion, however, of the repayments to the loans, must be much less than that which will exist when the accounts up to the present time shall have been fully closed; because of the whole amount loaned a very large part has been received by

those who either are in College, or have not been sufficiently long in any situation yielding a pecuniary compensation, to have been enabled or expected to make repayment. But repayment must often be rendered ultimately impossible by early ill health or death, or by the very narrow income received by many of the Clergy. It were to be desired that some mode of disposing of these remaining claims might be adopted, which should prevent the necessity that any Clergyman, without having really failed at all in his duty, shall pass through life and leave at last an unpaid promissory note behind him. The Board of Education would therefore ask of the Society a vote, authorizing them to cancel or return such notes of long standing, as, in their judgment, it shall be equitable to remit, on account of the obvious inability of the signers.

By the last will of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hart, of Hartford, whose piety had been revered and whose beneficence had been felt in more than one portion of this Diocese, the sum of five hundred dollars was bequeathed for the benefit of this Society. As the Society is not a legally incorporated Association, the bequest was made in trust to the Trustees of Washington College. The death of Mrs. Hart took place in August, 1843; and the sum has been received, and the trust duly assumed, on behalf of the Trustees, by their Standing Committee. At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Education, a suitable resolution was passed in acknowledgment of the receipt of this benefaction; and it was also resolved that it should be reported to the Society at this time, when more appropriate action might be taken.

The Board have little to add beyond their usual suggestions, that the most conscientious care shall be exercised in the recommendation of beneficiaries; and that any increase in the numbers of the Clergy should not seem to render these efforts unnecessary. Where a youth combines superior or decidedly promising talents, with a pious and zealous heart, and with the earnest desire to labor for the salvation of souls, and thus is indeed moved by the Holy Ghost to seek this office and ministry, it is not at all to be apprehended that he will prove a cumberer of the ground, in the vineyard of our Saviour.

For the Board of Education,  
GEORGE BURGESS, *Secretary.*

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Church Scholarship Society in account current with James M. Goodwin,  
Treasurer.*

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|          |                                          |             |  |          |
|----------|------------------------------------------|-------------|--|----------|
| 1843.    |                                          |             |  |          |
| June 20. | To Cash paid Loan of Rev. S. Totten, May |             |  |          |
|          |                                          | 30th, 1843, |  | \$61 92  |
| Sept. 4. | do. do. do. of Rev. G. Burgess, Feb.     |             |  |          |
|          |                                          | 18th, 1843, |  | 300 00   |
| 1844.    | do. paid interest on do.                 |             |  | 9 75     |
|          |                                          |             |  | <hr/>    |
|          | (Amount carried up,)                     |             |  | \$371 67 |

|         |                                      |           |
|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
|         | (Amount brought up,)                 | \$371 67  |
| May 30. | To Cash paid Postage,                | 10        |
| June.   | do. paid Sundry Beneficiaries during |           |
|         | the past year,                       | 838 33    |
|         | do. balance to new account,          | 146 52    |
|         |                                      | <hr/>     |
|         |                                      | \$1356 62 |

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*Per Contra.*

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|----------|------------------------------------------------|--------|
| 1843.    |                                                |        |
| June 12. | By Cash from Mrs. Peck of Brookfield,          | \$5 00 |
|          | do. from St. John's Parish, Waterbury,         | 52 00  |
| 14.      | do. of Rev. Warner Hoyt, repaid on loan,       | 109 10 |
|          | do. of do. for interest,                       | 18 91  |
|          | do. from Trinity Church, Newtown,              | 10 00  |
|          | do. from St. James' do. Birmingham,            | 15 64  |
|          | do. from St. Peter's do. Plymouth,             | 23 33  |
| 20.      | do. Anonymous per Rev. Geo. Burgess,           | 10 00  |
| Aug. 3.  | do. of Rev. Martin Moody, repaid on loan,      | 160 00 |
|          | do. of do. for interest,                       | 38 00  |
| 23.      | do. from Christ Church, Hartford,              | 55 34  |
| Sept. 5. | do. from do. Stratford,                        | 10 90  |
| Oct. 3.  | do. of Rev. Silas Totten, borrowed,            | 150 00 |
| 12.      | do. from St. James' Church, New London,        | 20 00  |
| Dec. 2.  | do. from St. Peter's do. Plymouth,             | 22 50  |
| 14.      | do. from Christ do. Hartford,                  | 51 04  |
| 19.      | do. from Rev. J. T. Cushing, rep'd on loan,    | 80 00  |
| 1844.    | do. of do. for interest,                       | 14 40  |
| Jan. 11. | do. from St. James' Church, Birmingham,        | 14 01  |
|          | do. do. of Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, repaid on loan, | 70 00  |
| Feb. 16. | do. from St. James Parish, New London,         | 25 00  |
| Mch. 21. | do. from St. John's do. Waterbury,             | 100 00 |
| Apr. 10. | do. from Trinity do. Fairfield,                | 12 00  |
| 15.      | do. from St. John's Church, Hartford,          | 21 75  |
| 19.      | do. from Christ do. do.                        | 51 70  |
| May 17.  | do. from do. do. Watertown,                    | 20 00  |
| 20.      | do. of Rev. David H. Short, repaid in full,    | 56 30  |
|          | do. of do. for interest,                       | 41 70  |
| June 4.  | do. of Rev. J. T. Cushing, repaid on loan,     | 80 00  |
|          | do. of do. for interest,                       | 18 00  |

Errors excepted.

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\$1356 62J. M. GOODWIN, *Treasurer.**Hartford, June 8th, 1844.*

We have examined the above and find it correct.

SAMUEL TUDOR, } *Auditors.*  
 SILAS TOTTEN, }

|          |                                          |          |
|----------|------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1844.    | By balance of old account,               | \$146 52 |
| June 12. | By Cash received from St. James' Church, |          |
|          | New London,                              | 35 00    |
|          | do. do. Mrs. Amey Peck, of Brookfield,   | 5 00     |
|          | do. do. from St. John's Ch. Waterbury,   | 60 00    |
|          |                                          | <hr/>    |
|          |                                          | \$246 25 |

## **APPENDIX NO. VI.**

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

IN THE

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

As amended in Convention, October, 1836, and June, 1840.

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**ARTICLE 1.** The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ART. 2.** There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

**ART. 3.** Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

**ART. 4.** The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

**ART. 5.** The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee, or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

**ART. 6.** The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in union with this Convention; ministers employed as missionaries under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this Diocese, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority; and ministers whose age and infirmities prevent from exercising the clerical functions; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese which shall have been received into union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a

representation in Convention, by one delegate; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn.

**ART. 7.** The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

**ART. 8.** A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

**ART. 9.** The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings, subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as agreeably to their own rules, or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

**ART. 10.** The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Convention shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

**ART. 11.** A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

**ART. 12.** When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention, within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers

in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting ; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

**ART. 13.** The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner:—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office ; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay Delegates ; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice ; provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present ; otherwise, two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

**ART. 14.** Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot ; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention ; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

**ART. 15.** No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

**ART. 16.** This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the members present ; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the Journals of the Convention.



## SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

|                                       |   |   |   |   |            |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|------------|
| Families in 64 Parishes,              | - | - | - | - | 4642       |
| Baptisms:                             |   |   |   |   |            |
| do. Infants, in 61 Parishes           | - | - | - | - | 464        |
| do. Adults, in 47 do.                 | - | - | - | - | 183        |
| Total,                                | - | - | - | - | 637        |
| Confirmed, in 30 Parishes,            | - | - | - | - | 450        |
| Communicants:                         |   |   |   |   |            |
| do. added by removal, in 32 Parishes, |   |   |   |   | 118        |
| do. do. anew, in 54 Parishes,         |   |   |   |   | 551        |
| do. lost by removal, in 34 Parishes,  |   |   |   |   | 207        |
| do. do. death, in 44 Parishes,        |   |   |   |   | 186        |
| Total, in 60 Parishes,                | - | - | - | - | 7336       |
| Marriages,                            | - | - | - | - | 273        |
| Burials,                              | - | - | - | - | 642        |
| Sunday School:                        |   |   |   |   |            |
| do. Teachers,                         | - | - | - | - | 696        |
| do. Scholars,                         | - | - | - | - | 5,100      |
| Missionary Contributions,             | - | - | - | - | \$7,586 16 |
| Contributions for other purposes,     | - | - | - | - | 6,383 00   |

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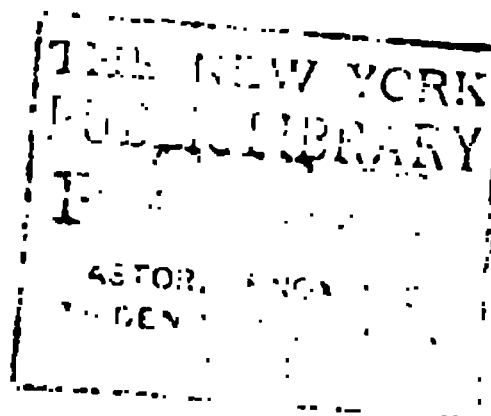
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**IN THE**

**DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT,**

**HELD IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARTFORD,**

**JUNE 10th and 11th, 1845.**

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# **JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION---1845.**

**HARTFORD, June 10, 1845.**

This being the day and place duly appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, Divine Service was celebrated in St. John's Church, at 10 o'clock, A. M., the Rt. Rev. **THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.**, the Bishop of the Diocese, being present with several of his Clergy and Laity.

The Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Mead, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. A. B. Chapin.

The Bishop then proceeded to admit Mr. Samuel Hawkesley to the order of Deacons, the Rev. Dr. Mead presenting the candidate; and the Rev. J. M. Willey and the Rev. H. D. Noble to the order of Priests, the Rev. Messrs. Scott and Stocking presenting the candidates, and, with the Rev. Drs. Burhans, Jarvis, Holcomb, Mead and Todd, uniting in the Laying on of Hands.

The Bishop was assisted in the Litany by the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, who also, with the Rev. Drs. Burhans, Holcomb, Mead and Todd, joined in the administration of the Holy Communion.

The Bishop took his seat as Chairman, and called the House to order.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats was called by the Secretary, and the following gentlemen answered to their names:

**The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.**

Rev. W. B. Ashley,  
" W. Atwill,  
" D. Baldwin,  
" H. H. Bates,  
" E. E. Beardsley,  
" L. T. Bennett,  
" W. W. Bronson,

Rev. H. Bryant,  
" E. C. Bull,  
" G. Burgess,  
" D. Burhans, D. D.  
" R. Camp,  
" A. B. Chapin,  
" J. L. Clark,

Rev. J. Coc, 2d.

" G. S. Coit,  
 " N. E. Cornwall,  
 " W. B. Corbyn,  
 " J. S. Covell,  
 " A. C. Coxe,  
 " H. Croswell, D. D.  
 " G. H. Deshon,  
 " S. M. Emery,  
 " C. W. Everest,  
 " H. Fitch,  
 " G. W. Fash,  
 " G. L. Foote,  
 " W. H. Frisbie,  
 " A. Geer,  
 " G. S. Gordon,  
 " J. M. Guion,  
 " T. T. Guion,  
 " R. A. Hallam,  
 " S. G. Hitchcock,  
 " F. Holcomb, D. D.  
 " O. Hopson,  
 " E. Huntington,  
 " A. Jackson,  
 " S. F. Jarvis, D. D.  
 " Wm. Jarvis,  
 " Stephen Jewett,  
 " W. C. Mead, D. D.  
 " J. D. Mead,  
 " F. Miller,

Rev. M. Moody,

" W. F. Morgan,  
 " J. Morgan,  
 " C. Munson,  
 " S. Nash,  
 " H. D. Noble,  
 " J. H. Nichols,  
 " A. Nichols,  
 " G. W. Nichols,  
 " G. H. Nichols,  
 " H. Olmstead, Jr.  
 " S. B. Paddock,  
 " R. Park,  
 " W. Payne,  
 " J. Purves,  
 " N. S. Richardson,  
 " J. Scott,  
 " D. H. Short,  
 " J. D. Smith,  
 " S. Stebbins Stocking,  
 " A. S. Todd, D. D.  
 " S. Totten, D. D.  
 " H. Townsend,  
 " W. Warland,  
 " W. Watson,  
 " F. E. White,  
 " J. M. Willey,  
 " F. B. Woodward,  
 " B. M. Yarrington,  
 " H. Zell.

A quorum of the Clerical order being present, the Rev. Messrs. Chapin and Richardson were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the testimonials of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. After the calling of the Roll of the Clergy, the Committee appointed on the testimonials of the Lay Delegates reported that the following gentlemen had been elected to represent their respective Parishes in the Convention.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

Christ Church,

Hartford,

{ S. H. Huntington.  
 { Samuel Tudor.

St. John's,

"

{ W. T. Lee.  
 { J. B. Flagg.



|                 |                  |                      |
|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|
| St Mark's,      | New Britain,     | Stephen G. Bucknell. |
| St. Luke's,     | Glastenbury,     | { Horace Talcott.    |
| St. Andrew's,   | Simsbury,        | { James Killam.      |
| St. John's,     | Warehouse Point, | { Ariel Mitchelson.  |
| Trinity Church, | Bristol,         | { Levi Palmer.       |
| St. Gabriel's,  | Windsor,         | { Horace Barnes.     |
|                 |                  | { George Spalding.   |

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

|                 |           |                  |
|-----------------|-----------|------------------|
| Trinity Church, | Brooklyn, | Wm. H. Putnam.   |
| Christ Church,  | Pomfret,  | Thomas Thompson. |
| St. Paul's,     | Windham,  | { Asa Jillson.   |
|                 |           | { Giles Taintor. |

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

|                               |                |                   |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Christ Church,                | Middletown,    | { E. S. Hubbard.  |
| Trinity Church,               | Portland,      | { Noah A. Phelps. |
| Christ Church,                | Middle Haddam, | { Alfred Hall.    |
| St. Stephen's,                | East Haddam,   | { Daniel Russell. |
| Church of the Holy Trinity, } | Haddam,        | { John Stewart.   |
|                               |                | { *J. H. Taylor.  |
|                               |                | { Oliver Warner.  |
|                               |                | { C. Brainard.    |
|                               |                | Wm. Cook.         |

## NEW LONDON COUNTY.

|                |                 |                     |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| St. James',    | New London,     | Sabin Smith.        |
| Christ Church, | Norwich,        | { Richard Adams.    |
| St. James',    | Poquetonnock, } | { Erastus Williams. |
|                | (Preston,)      | Asa L. Latham.      |

## NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

|                 |              |                      |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Trinity Church, | New Haven,   | { E. A. Prescott.    |
| St. James',     | Westville,   | { Geo. Sherman.      |
| Christ Church,  | Guilford,    | { Wm. Bishop.        |
| Trinity Church, | Branford,    | { S. C. Johnson.     |
| St. James',     | Fair Haven,  | { *Charles Elliott.  |
| St. John's,     | North Haven, | { L. S. Parsons.     |
| St. Peter's,    | Cheshire,    | { Albert Lindsley.   |
| St. Andrew's,   | Meriden,     | { *George P. Thomas. |
| Grace Church,   | Hamden,      | { Ezra Stiles.       |
|                 |              | { Lloyd Moss.        |
|                 |              | { Daniel Humiston.   |
|                 |              | { John Hull.         |
|                 |              | { E. E. Curtiss.     |
|                 |              | { Jared Bassett.     |
|                 |              | { Horace Potter.     |

|                |                     |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| St. George's,  | Milford,            | Andrew French.      |
| St. James',    | (Birmingham) Derby, | { Samuel French.    |
|                |                     | { Fitch Smith.      |
| Christ Church, | Derby,              | { Wm. Humphreys.    |
|                |                     | { Moses White.      |
| St. John's,    | Waterbury,          | { J. M. L. Scovill. |
|                |                     | { Wm. H. Merriman.  |
| St. Michael's, | Naugatuck,          | { *John Peck.       |
|                |                     | { Richard Hine.     |
| All Saints',   | Wolcott,            | Moses Pond.         |

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

|                     |             |                      |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| St. John's,         | Bridgeport, | { R. S. Nichols.     |
|                     |             | { A. A. Pettingell.  |
| Trinity Church,     | Fairfield,  | { *Abel Beers.       |
|                     |             | { Walter Bulkley.    |
| —— Church,          | Weston,     | { Bradford Winton.   |
|                     |             | { *A. L. Sanford.    |
| St. John's,         | Stamford,   | { Henry A. Mitchell. |
|                     |             | { John Ferguson.     |
| St. Matthew's,      | Wilton,     | Abijah Betts.        |
| St. James',         | Danbury,    | { Reuben Booth.      |
|                     |             | { Starr Ferry.       |
| St. Thomas' Chapel, | "           | { Ephraim Gregory.   |
|                     |             | { Wm. Hinman.        |
| Trinity Church,     | Newtown,    | { Wm. B. Prindle.    |
|                     |             | { Horace Beers.      |
| Christ Church,      | Trumbull,   | Lucius B. Burroughs. |
| Christ Church,      | Greenwich,  | { Nelson Bush.       |
|                     |             | { S. G. Cornell.     |
| Christ Church,      | Westport,   | { *Deunis Nash.      |
|                     |             | { Zalmon Sanford.    |

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

|                 |                 |                        |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| St. Michael's,  | Litchfield,     | Seth P. Beers.         |
| Christ Church,  | Bethlem,        | *Leverett P. Judd.     |
| St. Mark's,     | Bridgewater,    | Dunning Babbitt.       |
| Christ Church,  | Sharon,         | John Cotton Smith, Jr. |
| St. Paul's,     | Woodbury,       | { Nathan Preston.      |
|                 |                 | { Edson Camp.          |
| St. Peter's,    | Plymouth,       | { D. D. Warner.        |
|                 |                 | { Josiah Smith.        |
| St. Matthew's,  | "               | Harrison Todd.         |
| ● Union Church, | Hitchcockville, | Jesse Ives.            |
| Christ Church,  | Harwinton,      | Philo Hall.            |
| Trinity Church, | Wolcottville,   | { Demas Coe.           |
|                 |                 | { J. R. Coe.           |
| Christ Church,  | Roxbury,        | { H. F. Prindle.       |
|                 |                 | { H. L. Randall.       |

|                |            |                  |
|----------------|------------|------------------|
| Christ Church, | Watertown, | { J. Buckingham. |
|                |            | { A. Warren.     |

## TOLLAND COUNTY.

|              |         |                 |
|--------------|---------|-----------------|
| St. Peter's, | Hebron, | { J. S. Peters. |
|              |         | { J. Johnson.   |

Those with this mark \* prefixed to their names, were not present during the session of the Convention.

This Report was accepted ; and a quorum of the Lay Delegates having answered to their names, the President declared the Convention to be duly organized.

The Rev. E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY was re-elected Secretary.

The Rev. WM. PAYNE was appointed Assistant Secretary.

Several Lay Delegates, whose certificates were not in due form, were on motion admitted to seats.

The Convention adopted the following

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.
6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.
7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the House, or read any book.
8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.
9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.
10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except for adjournment.
11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

13. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz:

A Committee on the Admission of new Parishes.

do. on the Constitution and Canons.

do. on Unfinished Business.

do. on Finance.

The Chair, in compliance with the last of the above Rules, announced the following gentlemen, who were confirmed by the Convention, as Standing Committees.

*Committee on the Constitution and Canons.*—Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Rev. Dr. Todd, Rev. Dr. Holcomb, S. H. Huntington, Moses White.

*Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.*—Rev. Dr. Crosswell, Rev. S. S. Stocking, Rev. R. A. Hallam, J. M. L. Scovill, S. G. Cornell.

*Committee on Finance.*—Rev. Mr. Burgess, Rev. T. T. Guion, Rev. Mr. Watson, Wm. T. Lee, E. A. Prescott.

*Committee on Unfinished Business.*—Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. E. E. Beardsley, Rev. A. C. Cox, Alfred Hall, Richard Hine.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Clergymen of our own, not canonically entitled to seats, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The following gentlemen were present under this resolution :

The Rev. Henry Beers Sherman, of the Diocese of New Jersey; the Rev. Wm. Augustus Curtiss, of the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Thomas J. Davis, and the Rev. Joshua Weaver of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Richard Cox, the Rev. C. W. Bradley, the Rev. Henry De Koven, the Rev. Wm. Everett, the Rev. T. M. Leavenworth, and the Rev. George Benton, of the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Rev. Enoch Huntington was appointed to receive the assessments on the Parishes for making up the deficiencies of the Bishop's Fund.

Documents from several newly organized Parishes were presented, and referred to the Committee on the Admission of new Parishes.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following Report, which was accepted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business *Report*—That on page 18th of the Journal of 1844 there appears the following resolution:

“*Resolved*, That the Special Committee appointed yesterday on the subject of deficiencies in the Bishop's Salary, be continued to the next Annual Convention.”

They also *Report*, That, on the same page, the following amendments to Article VI. of the Constitution were proposed, approved, and laid over for final action at the next Annual Convention, according to the provision of the XVIth Article of the Constitution, viz:

“After the word “authority,” in line 7th, to insert the words “Chap-lains in the Army and Navy of the United States;” after the word “functions,” in line 8th, to insert the words “together with such Clergymen as have been entitled to seats in the Convention, within three months previous to any annual meeting of the same, and continue to hold an ecclesiastical connection with the Diocese;” and after the word “Convention,” in the 9th line, insert the words “And it shall be also in the power of the Convention to admit any Clergyman actually residing in the Diocese, and ecclesiastically connected with it, to a seat in the Convention, and to render him eligible to any office in the Diocese; provided, that the same shall be done by an unanimous vote of the Convention.” ”

All which is respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the Committee,

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman*.

HARTFORD, Conn., June 10th, 1845.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That that part of the above Report which relates to Amendments to the Constitution be now taken up for consideration.

After some discussion, it was

*Resolved*, That further consideration of the subject be deferred until to-morrow morning.

The Committee on the Admission of new Parishes, through their Chairman, Rev. Dr. Croswell, reported in favor of admitting into union with the Convention the following Parishes, whose organization appeared to be in due form, viz:

St. Paul's, New Haven,

St. Mary's, Manchester, and

St. Clement's, Coventry.

They also stated that an application was before them from the Parish of St. James' Church, Danbury, for the sanction of this

Convention to a new organization contemplated by that Parish; but the application, in the opinion of the Committee, was unnecessary and inexpedient.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That this Report be accepted, and the first three Parishes mentioned be received into union with the Convention, and the Lay Delegates therefrom be admitted to seats.

The following Lay Deputies accordingly took their seats as members: Nathan Smith and Stephen D. Pardee, from St. Paul's, New Haven; Melancthon Hudson, from St. Mary's, Manchester; and R. D. Gelston, from St. Clement's, Coventry.

The petition, with accompanying documents, from the Parish of St. James' Church, Danbury, was ordered to be read.

Much discussion ensued, which resulted in no action.

The Convention adjourned to meet for Prayers at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, June 11th, 1845. }  
FEAST OF ST. BARNABAS THE APOSTLE. }

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. H. Nichols, assisted by the Rev. E. E. Beardsley.

The Bishop took the Chair, and called the Convention to order. The Rolls of the Clergy and Laity were called, and a quorum in each order was found to be present. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee on Testimonials of Lay Delegates reported several new Delegates, who were admitted to their seats.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

### ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY, AND OF THE LAITY:—

Through the good providence of our God we have once more assembled together, to discharge the responsible duty of legislating for the welfare of his Church. It is a duty upon which we should enter with diffidence and prayer;—with a deep sense of our responsibility to the great Head of the Church, and a prudent forecast of the momentous consequences which may result from our deliberations. All prejudice and party zeal should be dismissed from our counsels, and from our hearts, and we should be actuated by a single eye to the glory of God, and the true inter-

ests of that portion of his Church which he has committed to our charge. Perhaps there has been no period in the history of our Church, in this country, when these cautions were more timely, and when soundness in the faith, and prudence in counsel, were more imperatively required of all her members.

But before entering upon any topics of more general interest, I must discharge my canonical duty in laying before you an account of my official labors since the last meeting of our Convention.

The same bodily infirmities which operated as a hindrance in the performance of my duties during the preceding year, have prevented many labors which I would otherwise have gladly performed, during the year which has just terminated. I desire to bow in submission to the allotments of a wise and gracious Providence, and to feel that they are designed to admonish me of the progress of advancing years, and to warn me to be in constant readiness to give an account of my Ministry to the great Shepherd and Bishop of Souls.

Since the last annual Convention, I have administered the holy rite of Confirmation in the following Parishes, viz.

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Sept. 4th, in Essex, to            | 4 persons. |
| “ “ Saybrook,                      | 6          |
| Oct. 30th, Plymouth, (St. Peter's) | 31         |
| Nov. 2d, Milton,                   | 3          |
| “ 3d, Litchfield,                  | 9          |
| “ “ Watertown,                     | 11         |
| “ 5th, Danbury.                    | 8          |
| “ 6th, Roxbury,                    | 21         |
| “ 7th, Washington,                 | 4          |
| March 16th, Glastenbury,           | 5          |
| “ 25th, Manchester,                | 15         |
| April 20th, Stratford,             | 10         |
| “ “ Bridgeport,                    | 20         |
| “ 21st, Huntington,                | 1          |
| “ 22d, Newtown,                    | 28         |
| “ 23d, Brookfield,                 | 7          |
| “ 24th, Southport,                 | 21         |
| “ 25th, Westport,                  | 17         |
| “ 26th, Norwalk,                   | 14         |
| “ 27th, Stamford,                  | 8          |
| “ “ Greenwich,                     | 23         |
| May 4th, Hartford, (Christ Church) | 26         |
| “ 11th, Waterbury,                 | 41         |
| “ “ Naugatuc,                      | 14         |
| “ 12th, Cheshire,                  | 11         |
| “ 13th, Hamden,                    | 9          |
| “ 14th, Northford,                 | 10         |
| “ 15th, Branford,                  | 11         |

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| May 15th, East Haven,   | 9  |
| “ 16th, Westville,      | 11 |
| “ “ Woodbridge,         | 3  |
| “ 18th, Humphreysville, | 11 |
| “ “ Birmingham,         | 11 |
| “ “ Derby,              | 4  |
| “ 19th, North Haven,    | 5  |
| “ 25th, Meriden,        | 6  |
| June 8, New Britain,    | 17 |

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In all, 465

On the 30th of June last, in St. John's Church, New York, assisted by the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, I admitted the Rev. William G. French, and the Rev. William H. Frisbie to the Holy Order of Priests, and the Rev. Henry D. Noble to the Order of the Diaconate. The Bishop of New York, acting on my behalf, admitted the Rev. Charles H. Hall to the Holy Order of Deacons, in St. Paul's Church, Red Hook, on the 25th day of August last. On the 5th day of November, in St. James' Church, Danbury, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of New Jersey, I admitted the Rev. William B. Corbin, the Rev. Cyrus Munson, and the Rev. Jonathan Coe, 2d. to the Holy Order of Priests, and Henry Olmsted, Jr. to the Holy Order of Deacons. In Christ Church, Hartford, on the 14th day of February, I admitted William E. Vibbert to the Holy Order of Deacons. On the 23d of February, in St. John's Church, Hartford, I admitted the Rev. Henry B. Sherman to the Holy Order of Priests. And yesterday, in your presence, I admitted the Rev. Junius M. Willey, and the Rev. Henry D. Noble to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, and Mr. Samuel Hawkesley to the Holy Order of Deacons.

The following new Churches have been consecrated during the past year, viz. St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls, Litchfield, on the 1st day of November; St. James' Church, Danbury, on the 5th day of November; Trinity Church, Wolcottville, on the 4th day of December; and St. Gabriel's Church, Windsor, on the 15th day of January. The two latter Churches have been erected in Parishes recently organized, and afford gratifying evidence of the zeal and liberality with which the new congregations have commenced their career. A new and spacious Church is now nearly ready for consecration in the newly organized Parish at Fair Haven. New Churches have also been commenced in the Parishes of Wallingford and Northford, on a scale commensurate with the growing strength of those Congregations. On the 25th of April, I laid the corner-stone of a new Church, to be erected in the town of Weston. And on the 5th day of the present month, I laid the corner-stone of St. Mary's Church, in the new Parish of Manchester.

Since our last Convention, the following Clergymen have been



transferred to other Dioceses, viz. The Rev. James W. Bradin, to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Z. H. Mansfield, to the Diocese of Delaware; the Rev. Paschal P. Kidder, to the Diocese of Western New York; the Rev. John H. Hanson, to the Diocese of Florida; the Rev. E. M. Porter, to the Diocese of Rhode Island; the Rev. J. D. Berry, to the Diocese of Kentucky; the Rev. Henry B. Sherman, to the Diocese of New Jersey.

Within the same period, the following Clergymen have been received into the Diocese, on letters of dismission, viz. The Rev. Cyrus Munson, from the Diocese of New Jersey; the Rev. Martin Moody, from the Diocese of New York; and the Rev. James D. Mead, from the Missionary district of Bishop Kemper. The Rev. Alfred M. Loutrel, officiating at New Preston; the Rev. Richard Cox, officiating at Woodbury; the Rev. William Everett, officiating at New Canaan; and the Rev. Thaddeus M. Leavenworth, officiating at Ridgefield, have not yet presented their Letters dimissory.

Several changes have taken place in the location of the Clergy, during the past year. The Rev. S. B. Paddock has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Norwich, and has accepted the office of Principal of the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire; the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter has resigned the Parish at Milton, and removed to the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. Giles H. Deshon has removed from Windham, to St. Luke's Parish, Glastenbury; the Rev. William G. French has resigned the charge of the Parish of Wolcott; the Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, has resigned the charge of the Parish at Essex, and removed to Hebron; the Rev. Isaac Jones has accepted the charge of the Parish at Milton; the Rev. Wm. F. Morgan has accepted a call to the Rectorship of the Church at Norwich; the Rev. Cyrus Munson has accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden; the Rev. Henry Zell has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Harwinton, and confines his services to the Church in Wolcottville; the Rev. Abel Nichols has removed from Oxford, to the Parish at Windham; the Rev. George H. Nichols has relinquished the charge of the Parish at Glastenbury, and is temporarily officiating at Litchfield; the Rev. Wm. Payne has resigned the Rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, and is officiating as Missionary of Hartford County, and Editor of the "Calendar"; the Rev. John Purves has resigned the associate Rectorship of St. James' Parish, Danbury, and has accepted the charge of the Parish at Humphreysville; the Rev. J. D. Smith has resigned the Rectorship of this latter Parish, and is now officiating in the Parish at Woodbridge, recently vacated by the Rev. Mr. Townsend, who devotes his entire services to the Church in Westville; the Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle has removed to the Parish at Hudson, in the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Charles Hall, Deacon, is officiating at Huntington, in the same Diocese. Of the other

persons ordained Deacons, during the past year, the Rev. Henry Olmstead, Jr. is officiating as Assistant Minister of St. James' Parish, Danbury; the Rev. Henry Noble has charge of the Parish of Brookfield; and the Rev. William E. Vibbert is to officiate in the new Parish at Fair Haven.

The Rev. George A. Sterling has declared to me, in writing, his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, and his intention not to officiate hereafter in any of the offices thereof. Whereupon, after a reasonable delay, I have caused his communication to be recorded, and pursuant to the provisions of the Canon in that case made and provided, I have displaced him from the Ministry of the Church;—for causes not affecting his moral character.

In addition to these changes in the record of our Clergy, it has pleased divine Providence to deprive us of two of our most estimable Brethren by death. Seldom has such an event been productive of greater affliction to a Parish, or to a bereaved family than that occasioned by the death of the Rev. Warner Hoyt, of Ridgefield. But the qualities which rendered him so dear and so valuable in his temporal relations, have constituted his best preparation for his eternal inheritance. And last evening the melancholy intelligence reached us of the decease of our beloved friend and brother, the Rev. David Ogden. Though taken from us in the morning of life, by a wise but mysterious Providence, he had lived long enough to give proof of his zeal and fidelity in his Master's cause, and in his sickness and death he has afforded a bright example of the sustaining efficacy of that religion which he had taught to others.

The following persons are now Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz.

Isaac G. Hubbard, A. B., James G. Blair, A. B., Thomas M. Peters, A. B., William H. Clark, A. B., Charles R. Fisher, A. B., George J. Geer, A. B., Charles W. Wooster, A. B., Abel Ogden, A. B., Thomas S. Preston, A. B., Henry V. Gardner, A. B., Joseph P. Taylor, A. B., George Rossiter, A. B., John J. Brandegee, A. B., Francis J. Clerc, A. B., Henry Edwards, A. B., Joseph Brewster, A. B., John Betts, A. B., David P. Sanford, A. B., John C. Sterling, A. B., Oliver S. Prescott, Jones G. French, Timothy Wilcox, Henry Floy Roberts, lately officiating as a Minister of the Methodist connexion, and James McKay, A. M., lately officiating as a Presbyterian Clergyman, J. J. Bowden, Alfred B. Beach, James Stephenson, Baylies P. Talbot, Joseph Moore Wait, Cornelius R. Duffie and G. N. Slack. The seven last-named Candidates being recently transferred to this Diocese by the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York—31 in all.

In presenting you this brief record of my labours for the past year, I avail myself of the occasion to state that, during the *twenty-five* years of my Episcopate, I have ordained 125 Deacons, and 120 Priests, Consecrated 66 Churches, and Confirmed 11,353 persons,

in this Diocese. Besides which, in my Visitation of the South-Western States, I have Consecrated two Churches in Kentucky, four in Mississippi, two in Louisiana, and two in Alabama, and have Confirmed 245 persons in those States.

In surveying this long period of official responsibility, in connexion with the wide field of usefulness which Providence has spread before me, my first feeling is that of profound humiliation and regret for my numerous omissions, and neglects of duty. My second, is that of devout thankfulness to God for whatever services his grace has enabled me to render to his Church.

Among the subjects of gratitude which this retrospect suggests, the most prominent is that of the growth and increase of the Diocese. At the commencement of the period here referred to, only seven parishes of the Diocese were able to support the entire services of a Clergyman: Now there are nearly seventy of such Parishes. The number of the Clergy has increased three-fold in the twenty-five years; and the efficient strength of the Diocese must have increased in a still greater ratio. Under the good providence of God, the principal cause of this increase must be ascribed to the zealous, self-denying, and faithful labours of the Clergy. There has been but little increase in the population of the State during this period. The tide of emigration flows from it, not into it. And if the organization and principles of the Church strongly commend themselves to unbiased minds, it must be remembered that the religious sentiments, and prejudices, of the descendants of the pilgrims are peculiarly stiff and unyielding.

Another subject of grateful retrospect, may be found in the singular union and harmony which have characterized the Diocese, and especially the Clergy, through so long a period. There have doubtless been differences of opinion, on minor points, and such differences of opinion may still exist amongst us, but they have never been debased by the spirit of party. Thank God, we have but one denomination of Churchmen. Thank God, no hostile banners have been reared, to separate brethren who belong to the same household of faith. While we must be duly grateful to a superintending Providence for the maintenance of this harmony, we may ascribe its continuation, in some good degree, to the just sentiments of religious toleration and Christian charity which have so generally prevailed amongst us. Perhaps there is no Diocese in our country where the essential principles of the Church have been sustained in a more full integrity. But we have not been accustomed to denounce and proscribe a Brother for slight differences of opinion;—much less to raise an issue of sound Churchmanship upon every disputed measure which has come before the Church. The true rule of Christian toleration is to do to others, as we would have them do to us; and we shall much more easily reclaim an erring Brother by kindness and forbearance, than by a hostile attitude and uncharitable denunciations.

But, my Brethren, it becomes us to remember, and gratefully to acknowledge, that the first impulse to this enlargement of our borders, and the real strength of the bands which have held us together, are to be found in the principles and in the administration of our predecessors. The influences of a Seabury, a Jarvis, and a Hobart, who in turn presided over this Diocese, have left deep and permanent impressions. The principles they sustained will abide the test of time, as they have stood the trial of opposition. The unchanging Platform on which they rested, was the Word of God; interpreted by (its best uninspired exponent) the Liturgy and articles of Religion contained in our Prayer Book; the Prayer Book itself interpreted by the faith and practice of the Primitive Church, and the Fathers of the English Reformation. If we have ourselves any merit, it is in our adherence to the same Divine Standard, the same sound interpreters, and the same common sense construction of both. By prudently pursuing this course, we have been enabled, in some good degree, to escape on the one hand, the influences of the Puritan, and the New Light Theology, with which the public mind is so deeply tainted; and, on the other hand, to avoid any just imputation of Romish errors, to which the public feeling is so sensitively alive. Brethren, we have seen enough of the changes and deteriorations of the popular theology of New England;—enough of its divisions, and the various forms of heresy, to make us desire no participation in its fermenting elements. We have learned enough of the peculiar errors of Romanism; its arrogant pretensions, its corruption of sound doctrine, its superstitions, its uncharitableness and its cruelties, to make us desire no nearer alliance with its boasted supremacy. We turn a like unwilling ear to those who would assimilate us to dissent, on the ground of a common Protestantism, and to those who would seduce us to Popery, on the pretence of a common Catholicity. At our Ordination, we solemnly promised to “conform to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.” Let us religiously abide by our solemn vows. Our Book of Common Prayer is the chief Platform to which this Pledge refers. Let us strictly adhere to this exposition of our faith and practice, and let us seek to bring all those who are committed to our charge up to the full comprehension and adoption of its import; and, in all Christian honesty, let us not go a jot beyond it.

*My Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity:*

In concluding this Address, I have to bring before you a subject which cannot fail to be regarded with deep solicitude by yourselves, and by me. It is known to many of you that, on account of permanent bodily infirmities, I have contemplated applying to the Convention for the election of an Assistant Bishop. Those of my Brethren to whom I have mentioned this subject have re-

ceived the proposition in a way very grateful to my feelings, while they have generally expressed a wish that the measure might be deferred as long as practicable. The expression of this sentiment, in connexion with the consideration that, for the last few weeks, my general health has been greatly improved, had almost determined me to defer the proposition for another year. But further consideration admonishes me that the bodily infirmities to which I have alluded are of a permanent character, and that I cannot count, with any confidence, on the continuance of the degree of health which I now enjoy.

Under these circumstances, I beg leave to refer the consideration of the election of an Assistant Bishop to the free discretion of the Convention. Whatever measure of health and strength may be vouchsafed to me by Divine Providence, I shall cheerfully devote to the service of the Church. But if my Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity shall be of opinion that the Diocese is likely to suffer for the want of a more efficient superintendence, it is my desire that the Convention should proceed to the election of an Assistant Bishop, either at the present Session, or at such other time as their judgment may deem expedient.

THOS. C. BROWNELL.

HARTFORD, June 11th, 1845.

Documents from a newly organized Parish in North Canaan were presented, and referred to the proper Committee.

The following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted :

**WHEREAS** the Parish of St. James' Church, Danbury, have, in a memorial communicated to this Convention, signified their desire to divide and set off a new Parish, to be called the Parish of St. Thomas' Church, Bethel; and have, in said memorial, described the boundaries which they desire when the new parish shall have been organized, therefore

**Resolved**, That whenever said division shall have been made in due form, and according to law,—the said new parish of St. Thomas' Church, Bethel, shall be admitted into union with this Convention, as a separate and independent parish; provided that nothing in the aforesaid arrangement shall conflict with the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, or in the United States.

On motion,

**Resolved**, That the several proposed amendments to Art. 6 of the Constitution be recommitted to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons for their further consideration, with the direction to report any other alterations in the said Article which may be deemed expedient.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis read the following abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the past year, which is entered on the Journal, in accordance with the VIth Canon.

*Abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Convention of 1844 to the Convention of 1845.*

There have been during the past year six meetings of the Standing Committee.

I. The first meeting was held according to the Ninth Article of the Constitution, on the 12th of June, 1844, the day on which the Standing Committee was elected. All the members were present excepting the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, then in England. The Rev. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary, but in his absence the Rev. Mr. Burgess was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. Canonical testimonials were presented in favor of the Rev. William G. French, Deacon, and he was recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Priest. Francis H. Bushnell, Thomas Dougherty and Wm. Clark were recommended to the Principal of Cheshire Academy as beneficiaries.

II. The second meeting was held at Hartford, July 31, and by adjournment August 1, 1844. All the members were present, excepting the Rev. Dr. Jarvis. Canonical testimonials were presented in behalf of Oliver Sherman Prescott, Joseph Brewster, John Betts, David P. Sanford and John C. Sterling, recommending them as candidates for Holy Orders, and they were accordingly so recommended to the Bishop. Canonical testimonials in favor of the Rev's. Cyrus Munson, Jonathan Coe, 2d, and James W. Bradin, Deacons, were also presented, whereupon their testimonials were signed for Priests' orders. Similar testimonials in favor of Charles H. Hall being presented, he was recommended to the Bishop for Deacons' orders.

III. The third meeting was held at Philadelphia during the session of the General Convention, October 17th, 1844. Present, the Rev. Dr. Croswell, the Rev. Dr. Mead, and the Secretary. Canonical testimonials being presented in favour of Henry Olmsted, Jr., and the Rev. William B. Corbyn, Deacon, the one was recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacon, and the other to be ordered Priest.

IV. The fourth meeting was held at Hartford, January 30, 1845, all the members being present. Canonical Testimonials were presented in favour of Jonas G. French, and Henry Floy Roberts, and they were recommended as Candidates for Holy Orders. William E. Vibbert was recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacon.

V. The fifth meeting was held at Hartford, May 8th, 1845. Present, the Rev. Dr. Croswell, the Rev. Mr. Burgess, the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, and the Secretary. Timothy Wilcox was recommended to the Bishop as a Candidate for Holy Orders. The Rev's. Henry D. Noble and Julius M. Willey, Deacons, were severally recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Priests. Three testimonials intended to have been offered at the fourth meeting,



but accidentally detained, in favour of James McKay, under the provisions of Canon VII. of 1838, were now presented with a request that his testimonials as a Candidate might take effect from the thirtieth of January last. This appearing equitable as regarded the Candidate, and the Bishop's consent having been asked and given, the testimonial to the Bishop was so dated, that his ordination might take place after the thirtieth day of July next. At the request of the Bishop, the Standing Committee acted as his council of advice, on the construction of Canon IX. Sec. 8, of 1841.

VI. The sixth meeting was held at Hartford, on Monday, June 9th, and by adjournment on Tuesday, June 10th, 1845. On the 9th all the members excepting the President were present. Canonical Testimonials in favor of George Jarvis Geer, A. B., Abel Ogden, Jr. and William Henry Clarke, Candidates of this Diocese, were presented, and they were severally recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacons. The Bishop asked the advice of the Standing Committee in the case of a Candidate for orders of the Diocese of New York. The construction of Canon IX. Sec. 8, on which the Committee were unanimous at the fifth meeting, was now presented in a different form. The question was whether the indefinite suspension of a Bishop voided jurisdiction. On this point the judgment of the four members present was equally divided, and consequently no advice was given. The Standing Committee then proceeded in conference with the Bishop, to prepare a list of Clergy entitled to seats in Convention according to the provisions of Article 6 of the Constitution, and the eleventh Canon of the Diocese. On the 10th of June the President took his seat, and the Bishop having decided to receive certain Candidates from the Diocese of New York, the Standing Committee, though divided in sentiment as to the propriety of the course pursued by the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York, yet, finding the testimonials presented Canonical, and in deference to the decision of the Bishop, proceeded to recommend the following candidates: Samuel Hawkesley, Joseph Moore Wait, Cornelius Roosevelt Duffie, A. M., James Stephenson, Baylies Phillips Talbot, Alfred Baurly Beach, A. M., George N. Slack and James J. Bowden for Deacons' orders. They then adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Secretary*.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes reported in favor of admitting Christ Church, North Canaan, into union with this Diocese. The Report was accepted, and John Watson was admitted to a seat as Lay Delegate from said Parish.

The following resolution was then read and adopted :

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to an Assistant Bishop be referred to a Committee of seven—four Clergymen and three

Laymen—with instructions to confer with the Bishop upon the subject, and to report to the present Convention at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The Rev. Drs. Croswell, Mead, Holcomb, and Rev. Mr. Paddock, with J. S. Peters, S. H. Huntington, and J. M. L. Scovill, Esqr's. were appointed as the Committee.

The reading of the Parochial Reports made to the Bishop was, on motion, dispensed with.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be directed to report to the Convention, at the present session, a Canon to regulate the admission of new parishes within this Diocese.

The Convention passed the following preamble and resolution :

**WHEREAS** the Constitution provides that every Lay Delegate before he take his seat in Convention shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk ; and whereas it appears to be an increasing evil that Delegates present themselves without certificates in due form—therefore

*Resolved*, That the attention of the Parishes be called to that part of the 6th Article of the Constitution which provides that no layman shall be admitted to a seat, and vote in this Convention, unless he present a certificate duly signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Convention be directed to insert in the Annual Journal, a blank form of such certificate of the appointment of Lay Delegates as is required by the Constitution.

The Rev. Messrs. Wm. Watson and S. B. Paddock, with Lloyd Moss, of Cheshire, were appointed a Committee to ascertain whether there be any vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Cheshire Academy ; and, if so, to nominate suitable persons to fill the same.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending 6th article of Constitution, by inserting the word "Rector," before the words "Wardens or Parish Clerk."

The Convention then proceeded to the choice of a Standing Committee, and the following persons were elected: Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Rev. George Burgess, Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Rev. Dr. Mead.

The Committee on vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Cheshire Academy, nominated Daniel Russell, Esq., of Portland, and Hon. Reuben Booth, of Danbury, to fill vacancies occasioned by the deaths of Burrage Beach and Wm. M'Crackan, Esqr's. The Report was accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Wm. T. Lee, Esq. Treasurer of Convention and of the Chris-



tian Knowledge Society, reported ; and the Reports were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society. After its business was finished, and the Convention was reorganized, a communication was read from the Rev. N. S. Harris, Secretary and General Agent of the Board of Domestic Missions, asking for increased interest and contributions on the part of this Diocese in behalf of that Department.

The Rev. Enoch Huntington made a statement with regard to the assessments upon the Parishes to make up the deficiencies in the Bishop's Salary.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Bishop in the Chair. The calling of the Roll was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and of the Christian Knowledge Society, and found them to be correct. The Report was accepted, and the following resolution passed :

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, be empowered to invest the permanent Funds which he may have in his hands, in such a manner as he may think best.

On motion,

*Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that aged and infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of support, and especially such as have been reduced to that condition by their zealous endeavors to make themselves useful as Clergymen, have peculiar claims upon the sympathies and aid of the Church which they have served.

*Resolved*, That the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Rev. Mr. Hallam, and Henry A. Mitchell, Esq., be a Committee to devise some plan to carry the above resolution into effect, and report to this Convention.

The following Preamble and Resolution on the subject of the Jews were offered and—after the Rev. Mr. Labagh, a missionary to this ancient people in the city of New York, had made a brief address by the permission of the Convention—they were unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, the General Convention of 1841 did pass the following resolutions :

"*Resolved*, 1st. That this Convention feels a deep interest in the recent movements in behalf of the Jews, and in the faithful zeal of our Mother Church of England in the same cause, and believes that the time has come,

when a similar movement may be made by our own Church, through the agency of the Domestic and Foreign missionary Society.

*Resolved*, 2d. That this Convention invite the early attention of the Board of Missions to the subject of the condition of the Jews, especially of such as reside in the United States; and to mature and adopt such measures as may be deemed proper for bringing them to the unity of the faith, the bosom of the Church of God, and the saving knowledge of the Messiah."

And whereas the House of Bishops in 1844 did again commend this work as one "of very great importance and of bounden duty, and recommend the subject anew to the Board of Missions;" (vide Minutes of Journal of 1844, p. 180.) and whereas the Domestic Committee have, in compliance with the above recommendations, appointed the Rev. J. P. Labagh as the Missionary of the Church to that people; (vide Spirit of Missions for June, p. 179.) Therefore

*Resolved*, That this Convention recommend to the Parishes of this Diocese, in their contributions for missionary purposes, to remember the claims which the natural branches have upon us who have been grafted into their good olive, and earnestly to pray that the time may soon arrive when they shall be grafted in again, and with us partake of its root and fatness.

The Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to an Assistant Bishop, made the following report, which was accepted :

The Committee appointed to take into consideration that part of the Bishop's Address, which relates to the appointment of an Assistant Bishop, beg leave to report that they have had a conference with the Bishop on the subject of the said Address, and that in consideration of his present improved health, and of the want of means for the support of an Assistant Bishop, it would not be expedient at this time, to proceed to the election of such Assistant. But inasmuch as a more obvious necessity may arise for such a measure, before the next annual meeting of the Convention, they would recommend that the Bishop and Standing Committee, be requested, if they should think it advisable, at any time during the year, to call a special meeting of the Convention, for the purpose of electing an Assistant Bishop—and that, in the mean time, a Committee be appointed to devise means for the support of such Assistant.

HARRY CROSWELL,  
WM. COOPER MEAD,  
FREDERICK HOLCOMB,  
S. B. PADDOCK,  
J. S. PETERS,  
J. M. L. SCOVILL,  
S. H. HUNTINGTON.

*Resolved*, That it is not expedient at this time to proceed to the election of an Assistant Bishop.

The following resolution was then offered, and after some discussion, laid on the table :

**Resolved**, That a special Committee be appointed to devise means for the support of an Assistant Bishop.

On motion,

**Resolved**, That the Secretary and Assistant Secretary be a Committee to procure the printing and distribution of *one thousand* copies of the Journal.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons made a verbal report, and, upon the suggestion of the Chairman, the Committee was continued to the next Annual Convention, that they may have time to make a more perfect report.

After singing the 202d Hymn, and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.

*President, and Bishop of the Diocese.*

Attest, E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, *Secretary.*

# APPENDIX NO. I.

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## ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop reports, that, during the past year, although he has labored under the same bodily infirmities which operated as a hindrance in the performance of his duties during the preceding year, he has administered the holy rite of Confirmation in 37 Parishes to *four hundred and sixty-five persons*; that, with the assistance of Bishops B. T. Onderdonk and Doane, he has admitted *five* to the Holy Order of Deacons, and *eight* to the Holy Order of Priests; that he has consecrated *four* Churches, and laid the corner stones of *two* others; that *seven* Clergymen have been canonically transferred to other Dioceses, and *three* been received, on letters dimissory, into this; that *thirteen* have resigned their respective cures, and *sixteen* have assumed new stations in the Diocese; that *one* has been displaced from the ministry; that *two* have been removed by death; and that there are now *thirty-one* candidates for Holy Orders belonging to the Diocese.

The Bishop also states, that, during the whole *twenty-five* years of his Episcopate, he has ordained *one hundred and twenty-five* Deacons, and *one hundred and twenty* Priests; consecrated *sixty-six* Churches; confirmed *eleven thousand three hundred and fifty-three* persons in this Diocese; besides *ten* Churches consecrated, and *two hundred and forty-five* persons confirmed in the South-western States. And during the same period the number of Parishes in the Diocese able to support the entire services of a Clergyman, has increased from *seven* to nearly *seventy*; and the number of Clergy in the diocese has increased *three-fold*.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DERBY, (BIRMINGHAM.)

REV. WILLIAM BLISS ASHLEY, RECTOR.

Families 100; communicants—lost by death 5, by removal 11, total 19—added anew 8, by removal 1—9, present number 138; baptisms—infants 14, adults 4—18; confirmed 11; marriages 5; burials 10; charitable contributions—for the poor and the Sunday School \$49,01, Trinity College charity fund \$765,25, Christ Church, Derby, \$25,00, Convention fund \$5, Church Scholarship Society \$7,60, the parish in Southbury \$8, Bishop's salary \$12, Christian Knowledge Society \$22,44, Domestic Missions \$115,92, Jubilee College, Ill. \$51,25, New York Bible and Prayer Book, and Tract Societies \$20, Foreign Missions \$25,84—total \$1107,31. In

addition to this, it should be mentioned that the ladies have raised, in their sewing circles, \$150, which, together with some \$60 more subscribed by the gentlemen, has been applied to the purchase and erection of a neat and substantial iron fence in front of the Church edifice. I have only to add that this parish seems to be prosperous in its temporal affairs—and that my heart's desire and prayer to God is, that he would cause us all to bring forth abundantly those spiritual fruits, without which we can never be admitted to His presence, where is fulness of joy.

### CHRIST CHURCH, READING.

REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, LATE RECTOR.

Families about 45; baptisms—adult 1, infants 0; confirmed 1; communicants 42, removals 1, deaths 2, total 39; marriages 1; burials 4; contributions—missions, \$16,50; purposes within the parish, \$214; total \$230,50.

After three years connection with this Parish, it became necessary to relinquish the charge last Easter, which was done with the gratifying assurance that in pecuniary affairs, social harmony, and confidence in the Church, there is no little encouragement to the faithful in this ancient section of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to persevere in well doing.

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, RECTOR.

Families 75; communicants 40; baptisms—adults 0, children 6; confirmations 0; marriages 0; burials 0; Sunday School teachers 8, pupils 35; contributions for missionary and other charitable purposes, \$23,75. From lack of a Report for the last year, and of a Parish Record, this statement is without the opportunity of comparison with the past.

This society without incurring debt, or aid from funded resources, having, within a few years, reared a neat Church edifice, and gradually increased the frequency of public services, until at length, they are now trying to sustain them on every Sunday, and this resulting chiefly from judicious management, liberality, and unity in society affairs, authorizes me to report that, in temporal concerns at least, this Church is prosperous. May the Holy Spirit bless the increased efforts now commenced to promote its spiritual welfare.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH GUILFORD.

REV. D. BALDWIN, RECTOR.

Families 37; baptisms—children 7; marriages 3; funerals 4; communicants 43. This Church since the last Convention, has had the services of a Clergyman 26 Sundays, and on some of the important Festivals and Fasts of the Church. The Holy Communion has been administered 7 times. In the absence of the minister, the members assemble together and have lay reading.

Since the last Convention, I have officiated nine Sundays in Union Church, Killingworth; administered the Lord's Supper three times; baptized one child, and married one couple.

I have also officiated fourteen Sundays in Zion Church, North Branford, and celebrated the Holy Communion four times. The members of this Church assemble together for worship when there is no Clergyman. The services are conducted by a Lay-reader.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WAREHOUSE POINT, E. WINDSOR.

REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

The Parish of St. John's, Warehouse Point, is gradually rising from its former depressed state. The average attendance on the services of the Church has been greater the year last past, than at any former period. The Scriptural and Catholic doctrines of our Church are becoming better known, and consequently are gradually commending themselves to those who have hitherto dissented from them. Occasional services have been held in a part of Enfield during the year, the influence of which, we have reason to believe, has been beneficial in advancing the cause of truth. Hereafter occasional services will be held also at *Broad Brook*, in a hall, very convenient for an audience of two hundred persons or more.

The number of families in connection with this Parish is about 45; baptisms—infants 10; communicants—added by removal 9, present number 29; marriages 4; Sunday School—teachers 8, scholars, including two Bible classes of youth, about 50; burials 10; missionary and charitable contributions, \$30. This amount may be considered as an offering proportioned to the ability of this Parish, when we consider that four hundred dollars have been expended in repairing the Church edifice the past year. It may be duty to add, that perhaps in no Parish in this Diocese, can there be found Laymen more ardently devoted to the interests of the Church, and who are making daily greater individual sacrifice for its advancement than a few of the members of this Parish.

In various ways for the past year has the Rector of this Parish been called upon to be thankful to the members of it for their kindness in contributing to his wants, but in no individual instance more than for the erection of a very neat and convenient parsonage by Mr. B. Sexton.

## CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. LORENZO T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families 60; baptisms—infants 4; communicants 98; added by removals 2, anew 5, lost by death 2, removals 4; marriages 6; burials 5; missionary and charitable contributions, \$47,67.

Since the last annual report, this Parish has purchased an organ, and a bell, and has manifested a commendable attention to whatever is calculated to promote its outward and visible prosperity. Nor has it been backward in contributing, according to its means, to the general benevolent institutions of the Church.

The Rector trusts that these are indications on the part of its members, of a real and increasing interest in the grace that is inward and spiritual.

## REV. GEORGE BENTON.

As this is the first ecclesiastical year which I have passed in the United States since my ordination, I have judged it to be my duty to report a brief statement of services performed, although I have not had the regular charge of a Parish.

Baptisms—infants 5; marriages 2; assisted in administering the Holy Communion 5 times; administered the same 1; officiated 49 times; preached 42 times.

**CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.****REV. WILLIAM W. BRONSON, RECTOR.**

Families 80 to 85; baptisms—infants 2; communicants—added anew 5, died 1, present number 100; confirmed 1; the candidate presented himself upon the occasion of the visit of the Bishop to the Parish of St. Paul's, Huntington; burials 6; marriages 1; collection of monthly offerings, \$23,81 1-2. The Parish also contributed \$130,00 in aid of Washington, now Trinity College.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.****REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.**

Families 80; communicants about 100; baptisms 8—all infants; marriages 1; burials 12.

The most encouraging circumstance in regard to this Parish, is the fact that a new Church edifice is now in progress, and is to be completed sometime in December next. This enterprise has thus far been conducted with great unanimity, and with a Christian zeal and liberality before unexampled in this place. This fact, while it promises well for the future, is, I hope, in itself, an indication of some growth in sound principle and true religion.

**CHRIST CHURCH, WESTPORT.****REV. EDWARD C. BULL, RECTOR.**

Families 52; baptisms—infants 2, adults 2; confirmed 17; communicants—added anew 19, by removal 1, lost by removal 4, by death 1, present number 91; marriages 2; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 13, scholars 68; missionary and charitable contributions, \$10; monthly offerings have been taken up through the year.

The Parish has the past year purchased an organ at an expense of \$500. They have built a neat Vestry room in the rear of the Church, at an expense of \$150, and for blinds and carpet have expended about \$150 more.

**CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD.****REV. GEORGE BURGESS, RECTOR.**

Families 250; baptisms—infants 48, adults, 15—63; communicants—added 59, removed 22, died 7, present number 400; confirmed 26; marriages 9; burials 27; Sunday School teachers 26; do. do. scholars 182; missionary and charitable contributions, exclusive of objects within the Parish, \$1760,19.

The members of the Parish have contributed within the year the sum of \$15,000, for the extinction of the greater part of their Church stock, and have also given most of the cost of the proposed edifice which is to be added to the buildings of Trinity College.

No internal changes have occurred, except that common progress of growth and of death, which so perpetually admonishes every pastor and parish that whatsoever they do be done speedily, and with their might. Although the number of communicants in this Parish is large, yet it is still painful to see how many of those whose profession of their personal faith might be most valuable to others, still pause without the chancel; however

close be otherwise their approach, in life and in heart, to the communion of saints.

The Rector has occasionally officiated, both in West Hartford and in East Hartford.

### ST. JAMES' PARISH, WEST HARTFORD.

During the greater part of the year, the Rev. Mr. Corbyn officiated once in four weeks in this Parish; and since it was relinquished by him as well as on the other Sundays previously, Lay-reading has until recently been maintained by a candidate for orders. At present, an afternoon service is held by the Rector of Christ Church, Hartford, near the close of each Sunday.

The attempt to erect a Church has not yet been earnestly made; because, although the number of families who would have joined a congregation of our Church is such as would very often justify it, yet they are without leaders of pecuniary ability; their acquaintance with the Church is still very imperfect; and amongst a population scattered and decidedly rural, more definite and certain prospects are required for such an effort than in thriving villages or compact neighborhoods. In the meantime, the attendance on divine service is at present numerous, in comparison with the accommodations which are already possessed.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

REV. R. CAMP, RECTOR.

Families 20; baptisms—adults 00, children 6.

We have had no opportunity for confirmation—a number being anxiously waiting to receive the grace of this ordinance, who will then gladly receive the body and blood of their blessed Lord. Sunday School teachers 6, scholars 35.

This Church by the favor of God is more prosperous now than at any previous time during my charge of it. *Laus Deo.*

### CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families 42; baptisms 1; communicants in 1844—44; lost by death 1, by removal 3, added by removal 8, anew 4, former ones discovered 5, present number 57; marriages 3; burials 1; Sunday School teachers 6; do. do. scholars 22.

In consequence of the kind offers of aid from others, this Parish is now making an effort, for the first time since its formation, which took place more than a century ago, to secure the entire service of a resident clergyman, and though it will require much exertion on the part of the people, and much self-denial on the part of the Clergyman, there seems to be a reasonable prospect of success. This will be more apparent by comparing the present state of the Parish, with its condition three years ago.

In the Report made immediately after the Church was consecrated, in 1842, the number of families were 36, now they amount to 42. The number of communicants reported then, was 29. Since that time, 5 have died, and 7 have left the place. During the same period 31 communicants have been added, and 9 persons have been found, whose names had been omitted from the list on which the report of 1842 was based, making the present number 57. If, then, so much has been accomplished by half services,



without the residence of a Clergyman, we may humbly hope, that much more can be done with the constant services of a resident minister.

The materials from which the strength of this Parish must be recruited, are mainly of two kinds,—those who are nominal Churchmen, but go no where, and those who having been educated in the Church, attached themselves to other bodies, when there was no service, or only occasional service in the Parish. Of the first kind, there are several families, and of the second, quite a large number of families. Indeed, if all who had been educated in the Church, in this Parish, and are now resident within its borders, were to attend its worship and contribute to its support, the Parish would be strong and active. What effect their estrangement from its fold, has had upon their preferences, or their consciences, time alone can determine. But it would be strange indeed, if some did not remember the vows of their baptism, and the solemn engagements of their confirmation, and return to their first love.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

Families 108; baptisms—infants 35, adults 3; confirmed 41; communicants 324, added by removals 17, anew 26, lost by death 4, removals 28; marriages 12; burials 23; Sunday School—teachers 61, scholars 315; missionary and charitable contributions as follows:—to the Church Scholarship Society \$100; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$80; to Churches in our own Diocese \$44; to needy parishes and Church institutions in the West, (including \$100, to Jubilee College, Illinois,) \$392,66; to the Domestic department of our Missionary Society, \$210; to the Foreign Department, (including \$177,50 to the mission at Constantinople,) \$286,12; for the Sunday School and other objects within the Parish, though raised in the way of offerings, or ladies sewing circles, \$77,27; in the treasury, \$71,12—total, \$1261,17. The Rector acknowledges with gratitude his indebtedness to the persevering labours of the ladies in their sewing circles, of which there are six in different sections of the Parish; and to the stated offerings of the children of the Sunday School, for a large sum included in the above appropriations; the former having raised \$135,77, and the latter \$26,31. The youth of the Parish are generally members of the Sunday School, and having books of instruction suitable to their age, form a large and interesting Bible class. A regular weekly service is held in the Church which is also attended, through a considerable portion of the year, by a large number of youth.

There has been a steady increase of communicants, and, we hope of holiness also, in those who profess discipleship to Christ. But the ways of Zion yet mourn because many will not come to her solemn feasts.

## CHRIST CHURCH, BETHLEM.

REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D, RECTOR.

Families 45; baptisms—infants 5; communicants—added by removal 1, anew 2, lost by removal 5, by death 1, who received the Holy Communion for the first time a few days before he died; whole number of communicants 53; the number, however, who at present receive the communion is 45; burials 3; Sunday School teachers 9, scholars about 45; missionary contributions, \$12,42, viz: \$8,00 to the Christian Knowledge Society; \$4,42 remaining unappropriated. It is proper to add, as it

was omitted in last year's report, that the Agent for Trinity College visited this Parish during the previous Conventional year, and obtained from two individuals subscriptions amounting to \$600.

It is gratifying also to state that a material alteration has recently been made in the interior of the Church, so that families can be more conveniently accommodated, and a way opened, it is thought, for raising the minister's salary with more certainty, and less trouble than formerly.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.

REV. G. S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 46, adults 1; funerals 17; marriages 10; confirmed 20; communicants—added anew 16, by removal 11, lost by death 7, whole number about 360; families 276; Sunday School scholars 176, teachers 26; missionary and charitable contributions, \$511.14.

### TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families 99; baptisms—adults 4, infants 9; confirmed 22; communicants—added anew 10, by removal 4, lost by death 5, by removal 1, present number 171; marriages 3; burials 13; Sunday School teachers 18, scholars 100; missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish, \$125.

The present state of this Parish is more promising than the statistics copied from the parochial register would indicate. Death has made greater inroads among us during the last year than at any former period of my ministry. But though I have buried 5 communicants, our number has been considerably increased, and will soon receive farther accessions from the persons recently confirmed.

It may be safely said that there is in this Parish at the present time a very encouraging attention to religion. Though many have been detained from the house of God by an unusual prevalence of sickness for a few months past, yet the services of the Lord's day, and the Lord's table have never been more fully attended. Other opportunities of public worship and pastoral instruction have also been generally well improved; and especial interest seems to be taken in the exercises of the Bible class, which is taught by the Rector himself.

The praiseworthy efforts of this Parish to provide more fully for the maintenance of the Rector, and the comfort of his family, have resulted with the blessing of a kind Providence, in the completion of a very commodious parsonage, which has been occupied since the beginning of the year.

In closing this report, it seems proper to notice particularly the dispensations of Heavenly wisdom, in taking from us by death, the late Walter Sherwood, Esq. who was for many years a Warden of Trinity Church, and a delegate to this convention in the more trying times of the Church in Connecticut, and his nephew, the Rev. David Ogden, who was buried by several of his brethren in the ministry on the evening before they left their homes for the performance of their duties here. May such dispensations of our Heavenly Father "teach us all so to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

## ST. GABRIEL'S, WINDSOR.

REV. WM. B. CORBYN, LATE MINISTER.

Families 25; communicants 24; baptisms—infant 1, catechuman 1. From the last Convention till Christmas, I resided in Windsor, and officiated there one fourth of the time on Sundays, beside a weekly service on Wednesday, and the public prayers on Holy Days.

The attention of the Parish has been occupied with the erection of the Church, I fear somewhat to the neglect of the Spiritual house. Circumstances for which I am not responsible, prevented my accomplishing what might have been expected of me in so interesting a field. However, the Church has been completed, and consecrated by the Bishop. It is furnished with a fine organ, and the service is performed with great effect—but these exertions of the Parish have left them somewhat in debt.

From Christmas to Easter I officiated one fourth of the time on Sundays. At Easter, I resigned the cure to the Bishop.

## ST. MARY'S, MANCHESTER.

REV. WM. B. CORBYN, RECTOR.

The Parish was organized on Whitsun-Tuesday, 1844. Since that time I have officiated there half of the time on Sundays; and since Christmas, at which time I took up my residence in the Parish, I have performed as many of the occasional services appointed by the Church as circumstances permitted. During Lent, I could do no more than maintain public Prayer on Wednesdays and Fridays, besides the accustomed services on Sundays, and on such other days of Prayer as occur during that Season. Privately, and from house to house I did what I could to instruct a class of catechumens, in the doctrines and principles of the Church. Services were maintained every day during Passion Week, and on Easter Even fifteen adult catechumens were baptized into the Church. On Christmas day I celebrated and administered the Holy Communion for the first time in Manchester, to three communicants. All Holy Days are observed as well as present circumstances allow of, and a small number at least have learned and delight in the truth that God's house is a house of Prayer.

On Easter Tuesday, the Bishop made his primary visitation to the Parish, and admitted 15 to the Holy Rite of Confirmation. The present number of communicants is 16; baptized during the year—children 4, catechumens 16. Thus a nucleus has been formed, around which, by God's blessing we hope a permanent and flourishing Parish will grow up to bless those that come after.

The corner stone of a small Church has just been laid by the Bishop, and a determined spirit is awakened in our little band which will not rest till a Church is built upon it. We have much to contend with—much that is peculiar—much also that is common in other new Parishes—but amidst it all God has blessed us; for this we thank Him and take courage. The Burial Service has been performed twice during the year. Both persons were candidates for confirmation. One of them, the late Dr. J. L. White, who was a fast friend of the Parish, had expressed his desire to give largely towards the building of a Church. His death was a severe blow to us, but it has taught to rely on the Invisible Arm.

## ST. CLEMENT'S, COVENTRY.

REV. WM. B. CORBYN, MINISTER.

On Thursday evening, March 13th, 1845, I officiated for the first time in Coventry. It was the first time, probably, that the services of the Church had ever been performed in the town. Since Easter, I have conducted Divine service there half of the time on Sundays. A very respectable congregation has been gathered and the full service is performed, including the Canticles, which are sung to the Gregorian Chants. I have also performed the service of the Church once in South Coventry, where there are several families much attached to our Catholic Ritual. Very recently a Parish has been organized in Coventry, under the name of St. Clement's, and the senior Warden is present as delegate, to ask for the admission of the Parish into union with the Diocese. There is a very large number of families in Coventry, which may, with proper means, be gathered into the Church.

## TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families 34; communicants—added by removal 4, anew 1; lost by removal 4, by death 1; present number 70; baptisms—infants 5; burials 4; marriages 2; confirmed 0, though there are a number who are candidates for that rite, and awaiting an opportunity for receiving it; Sunday School—teachers 9, scholars, including the Bible Classes 45. The children are publicly catechised every fourth Sunday; the Sunday School and Parish Libraries number about 200 volumes, and as they contain thorough Church works, and no trash, and are generally read by the parishioners, they have done much in giving them a decided Church character. Divine service was held in the Church on every Wednesday during the Season of Lent, and occasional services in different parts of the Parish; besides I have officiated four times in Burlington, once at Unionville, and once at East Plymouth, where I baptized 2 infants; monthly missionary offerings \$23, applied to make up the deficiency in the Rector's salary.

## ST. JOHN'S, HARTFORD.

REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, RECTOR.

The Rector respectfully reports to his Diocesan, that there have been in his cure, during the past year, baptisms, (catechumens 7, infants 23) 30; marriages 11; burials 7; communicants, (removed 21, added from other cures 15, by first communion 14,) including several Students of Trinity College, 209; families 142.

The Parish has suffered by the loss of not less than *ten families*, who have emigrated from Hartford during the year: yet the number of families, by a coincidence, is the same; and there has been no estimate of a number of constant worshippers who are not connected with households belonging to the Parish. A protracted indisposition has prevented me from giving my usual lectures to catechumens during Lent, as heretofore; and consequently several persons are still preparing for baptism, and others for confirmation, and first communion. These will be presented shortly.

Alms and offerings, have been as follows: Offertory and Churching-gifts \$201.94; African mission \$20; Nashotah \$68.50; Christian Knowl-

edge Society \$69,62; Church Scholarship Society \$30,46; Bishop Southgate's mission \$75; Parochial Library \$26,50; Parochial School \$23,60; China mission \$87; Domestic and Foreign missions \$45; Parochial purposes \$41,88; Easter offerings of children \$22—total \$687,90. Besides this there have been several liberal subscriptions to other charities; and amongst them, one to Trinity College. The liberal gift of \$100 from Mr. W. T. Lee, has also enabled me to establish a school for girls, in connection with the Parish, in which about 30 pupils are now receiving the elements of a truly Christian education, under the visitorial supervision of their Pastor. A portion of these are gratuitously instructed.

During the year, I have instructed a class of young ladies in Church History, using Palmer as a text-book. The arrangements for Divine Service, and the HOLY EUCHARIST, have remained as heretofore reported.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WOODBURY.

REV. RICHARD COX, RECTOR.

Families 58; baptisms—infants 7, adults 3, total 10; communicants—added by removal 2, anew 9, lost by death 3, present number 56; marriages 2; burials 6; Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars 41. Bible class, 15; collections—Christian Knowledge Society, (two collections,) \$23,97, General Missionary Society, for Domestic Missions, \$11,51, for Foreign Missions, \$10. N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$5, P. E. Tract Society, \$5, total, \$55,48. Besides these sums, monthly Communion collections have been made for the poor of the Parish, and kindred objects; and a considerable sum has been contributed by voluntary subscription, for important and admirable alterations in the chancel and pulpit, and for erecting a handsome vestry room in the rear of the Church.

The Holy Communion is administered monthly. Divine service is celebrated in the Church on all the days for which a Collect, Epistle and Gospel are appointed in the Prayer Book;—on these occasions a sermon or lecture is always added. A service and lecture are also regularly held on the evening of Wednesday in each week. The children of the congregation are assembled around the chancel at the close of afternoon service, and catechised every Lord's day on which I officiate.

It would be unjust to my predecessor, (the Rev. S. G. Hitchcock,) not to record here my testimony to his zeal, faithfulness, and self-denial. He resigned shortly after the last Convention, and I did not take charge of the Parish until October; and yet, notwithstanding the months in which there was no pastor, I found every thing in good condition. Mr. H.'s care had extended to the minutest matters; and nothing in the way of his duty seemed to be left undone.

### CHURCH OF THE EASTER FESTIVAL, SOUTHBURY.

REV. RICHARD COX.

Since my residence in Woodbury, I have devoted a third of the Lord's day services to this Parish. The places of worship are two school houses near the centre of the town. The second story of one of these has been fitted up very conveniently in Church style, with pulpit and pews. The congregations are large. Extra services have occasionally been held in other parts of the town.

## TRINITY CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.

REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR; REV. J. H. NICHOLS, ASSISTANT MINISTER.

In consequence of some changes in the parochial relations of Trinity Church, a portion of this report must necessarily be defective. In the aggregate there has been a considerable increase in the number of families, communicants, and Sunday School scholars, within the former limits of Trinity Parish. But as several families in Fair Haven, and vicinity, will in future attend the new Church, now ready for consecration in that village: and as a portion of the members of Trinity Parish in the city of New Haven, have withdrawn and formed a new Parish, under the name of St. Paul's Church, and have commenced public worship in the building hitherto known as St. Paul's Chapel: it is not practicable at this time to give an accurate statement of the number at present belonging to the Parish of Trinity Church. But as St. Paul's Church is yet without a settled Rector, the parochial duties have chiefly devolved upon the ministers of Trinity Church—and the following report embraces the whole number of baptisms, marriages, and burials, for the past year, without regard to parochial limits:

Baptisms—adults 1, children 54, total 55; marriages 32; burials 65, of whom 22 were communicants; amount of offerings for past year, \$1050,61.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN. (AFRICAN.)

The regular services of the Church have been performed in this Parish ever since its organization; but as no minister has yet been settled, the Parish has been obliged to depend on Lay reading, and the occasional ministrations of the word and sacraments, by resident Clergymen, and others, who have kindly tendered them their gratuitous services.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.

This Society having been recently organized, and not having secured the services of a Rector, it is difficult to give a particular statement of its present condition. The Lay Delegates would report the probable number of families worshipping at this Church at 140; communicants, about 250; Sunday school teachers, 25; Sunday scholars, 150.

NATHAN SMITH, } Lay Delegates.  
S. D. PARDEE, }

## REV. HENRY DE KOVEN,

Reports to his Rt. Rev. Diocesan, that in the month of August last, in consequence of ill health, he resigned the charge of St. Stephen's Parish, East Haddam. For the space of three months, on account of inability, he performed no ministerial duties, with the exception of baptizing two infants, during the absence of the Rector of Christ Church, Middletown. Since his restoration to health, he has frequently officiated both in this Diocese and elsewhere.

## TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND.

REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 16, adults 2; communicants—added 11, died or removed 2, present number 98; marriages 6; burials 21; Sunday

school—teachers 14, scholars 85 ; missionary and charitable contributions—Society for P. C. Knowledge in this Diocese \$20, the Church in Wolcottville \$15, the Church in Fair Haven \$32, Bishop Kemper's jurisdiction \$30, for Africa \$5, for the Church in Mishawaka, Indiana \$23, Ladies' Sewing Society gave to Nashotah Mission, Wisconsin, \$35, to Church in Harts Grove \$50, to another Church in Ohio \$25, for purposes of our own \$151,11, total \$386,11.

### GRACE CHURCH, HAMDEN.

REV. C. W. EVEREST, RECTOR.

Families 46 ; baptisms—infants 2, adults 1 ; communicants—added 6, died 2, present number 70 ; burials 5 ; missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish, \$19,60.

The Report which was made from this parish at the last Convention, by mistake was not published in the Journal. In that Report, in addition to the usual statistics, it was stated that "the Parish had been provided during the past year, with an organ and a new set of vessels for the Communion ; that its members had exhibited a zeal and liberality, in proportion to their numbers, which demanded a grateful mention on the part of their Rector, and afforded him, in connexion with other favorable indications, a very gratifying encouragement." He would add, moreover, that the present state of the Parish is such as to afford him much satisfaction, and to furnish proof of a gradual but steady improvement.

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW CANAAN.

REV. WILLIAM EVERETT, RECTOR.

Families 63 ; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 1 ; communicants—added by first communion 1, by removal 4, lost by removal 4, by death 3, present number 70 ; marriages 2 ; burials 8.

The present Rector entered on the duties of his office on Wednesday in Holy Week of the present year. Since that time the Church has been opened for Divine Service on the Festivals and Fasts, and a Lecture appropriate to the season usually delivered.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KENT.

REV. GEORGE W. FASH, MINISTER.

Families 40 ; baptisms—infants 3 ; marriages 2 ; funerals 4 ; communicants—added anew 4, removed from the parish 1, total 29 ; Sunday School—teachers 5, scholars 30.

It is believed that the condition of this parish, as compared with its state at my last annual report is somewhat improved. There has been a gradual increase in the attendance at public worship, and in the general interest of the congregation in the prosperity of the parish. The congregation is still, however, but small and feeble, and it will probably require years of patient labor to compensate for the injury which it has sustained in the removal from the parish of influential members, and in the contracting of a debt, (now happily cancelled) in building their Church, compelling the entire suspension of services for some years.

The Ladies of the parish, organized as a sewing circle, have manifested much interest in its welfare, have contributed a considerable amount towards



the support of the minister, and have expended a farther sum in providing stoves for the warming of the Church in winter.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, NORTH CANAAN.**

**REV. GEORGE W. FASH, MINISTER.**

Families 24; baptisms—infants 3; marriage 1; funerals 2; communicants—added anew 3, removed from the parish 1, present number 13; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 25.

This parish, though still small, has been gradually increasing in numbers and in general prosperity since its organization about 18 months ago. The congregation have subscribed a considerable amount toward the erection of a parish Church, which will probably be commenced in a few weeks.

### **ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.**

**REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.**

Families 28; baptisms—infants 1, adults 3; confirmed 10; communicants—added anew 1, lost by death 2, removals 9, present number 37; burials 5; Sunday School—teachers 3, scholars 25; missionary and charitable contributions \$24.24.

St. Andrew's Parish, though considerably diminished in numbers, both of families and communicants, during the year past, yet may on the whole be regarded as in a prosperous condition. A proposition to erect a new Church edifice was made at the annual parish meeting on Easter Monday, which has been responded to by very liberal subscriptions on the part of the parishioners. It is expected that the corner stone will be laid within a few weeks, and the building is under contract to be completed on the first of November next.

### **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH HAVEN.**

**REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.**

Families 42; baptisms—infants 4, adults 1; confirmed 5; communicants—added anew 2, lost by death 2, removals 5, present number 38; burials 5; missionary and charitable contributions, \$21.

No material change has taken place in this Parish since the last Parochial report. The Church in North Haven, though surrounded by strong adverse influences, is at unity in itself. A growth of the Church here, however, cannot reasonably be expected until it shall enjoy the undivided services of a clergyman, and we indulge the hope that the day is not far distant when this shall be effected.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, ROXBURY.**

**REV. GEO. L. FOOTE, MINISTER.**

Families added by removal 1, whole number 64; baptisms—adults 1, children 7, whole number 8; burials 3; communicants—added anew 8, by removal 2, present number 56; marriages 1; confirmations 21; Sunday Scholars, Catechumen and Bible Class, about 50; contributions, missionary and charitable, about \$38; in addition to this, the ladies of the Parish have raised about \$125 for the improvement of the Church building and other objects connected with the decency and order of the public worship of the



Church. An effort is now being made to secure a parsonage house, which promises to be successful.

I have continued my services in this Church one half of the time for a year, and the Church is opened on every Lord's day for public worship, and the hope is entertained that the Parish will soon be able to secure the entire services of a Clergyman.

I have preached in Southbury, South Britain Society, 8 times during the past year, administered the communion on two occasions to sick persons, and attended two funerals in that place. I have also preached twice in the town of Warren, and administered the communion to 5 persons.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

REV. GEO. L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families 31; baptisms—infants 3; burials 1; confirmations 4; communicants—added anew 4, present number 38; catechumens 27; missionary and charitable contributions about \$17.

I have officiated for this Parish one half of the time for the past year, and the condition of the Parish is, in many respects encouraging.

### UNION CHURCH, HITCHCOCKVILLE.

REV. WM. HENRY FRISBIE, MINISTER.

Families 22; baptisms—infants 6; communicants—added by removal 1, anew 1, lost by removal 2, whole number, including 4 not reported last year, 19; marriages 1; burials 1; contributions \$14.74—\$4 of which was appropriated to the Christian Knowledge Society, and the remainder to necessary parish expenses; Sunday School—teachers 2, scholars 13; Bible class 12.

Services have been held every other Lord's day, and on the more important festivals and fasts. Evening services were held weekly on Wednesday or Friday evening during Lent. The present appearance of the parish as compared with times past is decidedly flourishing.

### WINSTED AND BARKHAMSTED.

REV. WM. H. FRISBIE, MISSIONARY.

Services were held in each of these places on every fourth Sunday until Easter, 1845, when both stations were for the present discontinued. Since Easter I have officiated in various places. On Trinity Sunday I took the temporary charge of Christ Church, Harwinton, in connection with the Church in Hitchcockville. For a report thereof I must rely on the former Rector, the Rev. H. Zell. Beside the services already reported, I have attended one funeral in Colebrook, and held occasional services in Winsted, Colebrook River, and New Boston, Mass.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, EAST HADDAM.

REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.

Families 71; baptisms—infants 5; burials 6; communicants—added 3, present number 84. Two of the baptisms and two of the funerals here named were under the ministrations of the Rev. Mr. De Koven. Monthly collections are taken in this Parish, and the funds so raised are devoted to

various religious objects. There is also an interesting Sunday School under the care of a suitable number of teachers.

Having at the last annual Convention resigned the charge of St. Peter's Church, Hebron, it may be proper to state that I have preached every Sunday but two during the past year. After I retired from my charge, the Parish remaining vacant, I attended three funerals and baptized two infants and one adult.

From the 8th to the 15th Sunday after Trinity, I officiated in St. Stephen's Church, by the request of the Rev. H. DeKoven, at which time he resigned his charge. Thenceforward I have continued my duties by request of the Vestry, and have the satisfaction to state that the services of the Church are uniformly well attended, and that all measures that have for their object the welfare of the Church, are undertaken and persevered in with much unanimity and zeal.

During the past year the Society have erected in their house of worship a new pulpit and reading desk, and in the rear a convenient Vestry room, much of which has been accomplished by the untiring diligence and perseverance of Ladies of the Parish.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HUNTINGTON.

REV. GEORGE S. GORDON, MINISTER.

Families 52; baptisms 1; communicants—died 2, removed 2, withdrawn 6, present number 61; marriages 4; burials 4; contributions—to Christian Knowledge Society \$2, to Sunday School \$16, by the Ladies' Society towards completing the Parsonage, about \$70. There is a small Sunday School connected with the Parish, with a library of about 220 volumes.

This parish has been subject to many misfortunes in years past, the effects of which are now seen in its comparatively depressed condition. But still its condition is not desperate. The Parish generally, and especially the ladies, have lately shown an energy and zeal which, if persisted in, in reliance on the Divine assistance, will doubtless arrest its downward tendency, and bring back the prosperity of its former days.

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.

REV. JOHN M. GUION, RECTOR.

Families about 30; communicants—removed 1, added 6, total 36; baptisms—adults 3, infants 9, total 12; confirmed 15; marriages 3; funerals 1.

The spiritual prosperity of this Parish, it is believed was never so encouraging as at the present very auspicious period, while its pecuniary interests would seem to be gradually improving.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DANBURY, AND ST. THOMAS' CHAPEL, BETHEL.

REV. THOMAS GUION, RECTOR, REV. HENRY OLMSTEAD, JR. ASSISTANT MINISTER.

Families 128; baptisms—infants 10, adults 2, total 12; confirmed 7; communicants—added by removal 6, anew 5, lost by removal 6, death 2, present number 156; marriages 10; burials 9; Sunday School—teachers 25, scholars 100. In the matter of contributions, the Parish has given

small sums to various charitable objects, and has raised between \$4,000 and \$5,000 for Church purposes.

In presenting to you, Rt. Rev. Sir, the above report, we would remark that in temporal matters the Parish is rapidly improving, but our communion list, which notes an actual gain of only three, is a subject for sad reflection.

The preliminary steps, for the erection of the Chapel into an independent Parish, have been taken, and this Convention will be asked to act thereon. This movement will, we believe, result in good to the whole Parish, and has our hearty and unqualified approbation.

#### REV. C. H. HALL, DEACON.

The time of the Convention approaching, it is my duty to report whatever official acts I may have performed, since the period of my ordination by the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D.

Baptisms 12; assisted at the communion 10 times; funerals 4; preached 62 times. I officiated in St. Peter's, New York, for six weeks. Since that time, (April 10th,) I have resided at Huntington, L. I. as Minister of St. John's Church.

#### ST. JAMES', NEW LONDON.

REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families 73; baptisms—infants 6, adult 1; communicants—added by admissions 2, by removal 4, lost by death 1, by removal 3, present number 115; marriages 3; burials 8; Sunday School—teachers 14, scholars 59; missionary and charitable contributions—General Missionary Society \$110.31, Christian Knowledge Society \$39.77, Church Scholarship Society, (avails of ladies industry) \$80, Charity Fund of Trinity College \$1227.00, Jubilee College, Ill. \$266, Pomfret \$114, other objects out of the Parish \$35—total \$1872.08.

These statistics speak for themselves. As compared with those of ten years since, when the present Rector entered upon his charge, they indicate considerable progress; some increase in numbers, piety and liberality. "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us." Our help and hope for the future stand in His name.

Married one couple in Parish of St. Peter's, Hebron, then vacant; also one in Meriden by permission of Rector; attended one funeral in Norwich on occasion of an exchange.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

REV. HORACE HILLS, JR. LATE RECTOR.

During the fifteen months of my connection with this Parish we enjoyed, by the grace and mercy of Almighty God, an uncommon degree of temporal and spiritual prosperity.

Baptisms 40; communicants—added 22, total about 120; marriages 5; burials 11; Sunday scholars about 70; Sunday teachers 12; Communion alms \$128; Church collections for missions \$65; Female Sewing Society for missions \$121; Sunday School offerings for missions \$18; various collections for Parochial objects \$787, total \$1100; Services—twice on Sundays, a Lecture on Friday evenings, Prayer on the Festival and Fast days, one service each day in Lent, Communion the first Sunday in the month.

The attendance on Sundays and week days has been uniformly large. And the Holy Spirit has solemnized the congregation by increasing in Christians true religion, and by adding to the Church such, we trust, as shall be saved. My labours commenced on Sexagesima Sunday, Feb. 11th, 1844, and closed the first Sunday after Trinity, May 25th, 1845.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HEBRON.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, RECTOR.

The present officiating Minister of this Parish, since the returns made by him to the last Convention, has baptized 2 adults, and 1 infant, and attended 1 funeral in the Parish of St. Paul's Church, Woodbury; fulfilled likewise a temporary engagement in the Parish of St. John's, Essex, commencing with the last week in August and expiring at Easter. His entrance upon the duties of his present charge dates from the 11th May, within which time it has been impossible for him to collect with accuracy the various numerical items, a statement of which is required by the first of our Diocesan Canons. Cordial reception by the people of a united Parish, and the encouragement which their peaceful and united condition affords for his labouring among them with success, are the most important particulars to be communicated. The public religious services have been well attended, and there is nothing now to hinder the entertainment of a hope that the relation so recently formed between Minister and people *will*, if its duties be discharged with fidelity by the *former* be met with a corresponding degree of exertion and sympathy from the *latter*.

As the present incumbent's transfer to his present field of duty has been marked by a severance within the past year of his connection with his first Parish, it may be proper to state as a summary of his official doings while *there*, that he has had the pleasure of adding to the Church by baptism 96; confirmation 30; admission to the communion 42; solemnized 11 marriages; committed to the ground by the office of Christian burial 40. The undivided services of a Minister for the first time within the period of the Parish's history were secured, and a dwelling house erected for the purpose of providing him with a fixed and unchanging place of residence. The house of worship was thoroughly repaired and painted inside and out, an organ and new bell purchased, and horse-sheds built for the accommodation of those who ride; \$230 realized from missionary and monthly collections; \$368 from ladies' fairs; and upwards of \$1000 raised by appeals of the Minister in behalf of his congregation *from abroad*, and his own individual contributions. Patronage was also extended to the religious paper of our Diocese, amounting some years to thirty subscribers.

Such has been only the small measure of results which have attended the labours of a very inferior Minister, in a small Parish. The degree of success which it may be in reserve for him *in future* to enjoy, is known only to the Being who makes use of the poorest instrumentality for subserving the greatest object which the Deity himself can effectuate or devise, the salvation of perishing sinners. His name be praised for whatever of good, (if any such there be that is discoverable in the past) which has been done—his co-operating and preventing grace vouchsafed for future aid and guidance.

## TRINITY CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.

REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D., RECTOR.

Families 42; communicants 45; baptisms—children 4; marriages 9; deaths 6; charitable contributions—Domestic Missions \$30, Christian Knowledge Society \$12, total \$42.

Removals *from* this Parish, and deaths *within* it, leave the present number nearly the same as given in former reports,—an event, which is liable to happen in places where the general population is not increasing from year to year, although there may have been in other respects, a manifest improvement. At the suggestion of one of the Wardens, who knows, probably, as well as any other individual, the true interests of this Parish, they have within the last year, at a small expense, laid the foundation of a Parish library; which, judging from the past, promises to do for them, “*much every way* ;” not only in the dispensation of sound Church principles, but of that evangelical piety, which adds a lustre to all intellectual gains.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.

Families 105; baptisms—children 19, adults 3; confirmed 14; communicants—added by removal 4, anew 13, lost by death 3, by removal 8, present number 150; marriages 7; burials 9; Sunday School—teachers 27, scholars 126; missionary and charitable contributions—for objects without the Parish \$40,50, viz., for Jubilee College, Illinois, \$20,50, for Foreign and Domestic Missions \$10, Christian Knowledge Society for Southbury \$7, Church Scholarship Society \$3. Besides these, has been subscribed for Trinity College, Hartford, \$260, a considerable portion of which sum has been paid.

The Rector would express his deep gratitude to the Gracious Giver of every good, for the continued prosperity of this Parish, in respect both to temporal and spiritual things.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

REV. E. HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

There has been a gradual increase of the congregation for several years. The Church is generally well filled when the weather is at all favorable for the assemblage of a congregation, many of whose members live several miles from the Church. At Easter we had applications for several more pews than we have in our present arrangements. We shall soon hold a meeting of the Vestry to make some arrangements to supply this deficiency in the number of pews. The plan of monthly offering is continued in the Parish, and yields about one hundred dollars for benevolent objects. The children of the Parish are catechised publicly before the congregation, and lectures were delivered last season on the doctrines of the Gospel as embodied in the Catechism of the Church. Baptisms—infants 3, adults 2; communicants—added 6; marriages 15; burials 14.

REV. A. JACKSON,

Reports, that he has been during the past year attending to the duties of his Professorship in Trinity College. He has moreover performed the

marriage service once, and occasionally assisted the Rector of his Parish Church in reading service.

### CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HADDAM.

REV. H. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., INCUMBENT.

The Incumbent of this infant parish reports to his Diocesan, that the publication of his work on Ecclesiastical History, prepared in obedience to the appointment of the Church, led him to England in the winter of 1843, and that he was detained there unexpectedly, and could not return as he had intended, in May, 1844. He was therefore absent at the last Diocesan Convention and did not resume his duties in Haddam till after the late General Convention. While in England a distinguished architect made him a present of the working drawings of the Church of the Holy Trinity in the Village of Roe-Hampton. It is a beautiful but very simple Village Church, capable of seating about 300 adult persons. He also received from a Clerical friend the gift of a very handsome Church Bible. He came out therefore with the hope of immediately beginning to build; but events had occurred during his absence which must retard, though they cannot prevent, under God's blessing, the fulfilment of the design as soon as sufficient funds are collected. In the mean time the services of the Church are conducted in a School House, where his flock, though few in number, attend with great steadiness and regularity; and lay-reading is always kept up, if by any accidental circumstance he is absent. Not only Sunday services, but Ash-Wednesday, Passion Week and the great festivals are observed. The children are catechized for one hour every Lord's day, and the Communion administered monthly to from six to eight persons. He has to record the death of a promising catechumen, who, though only twelve years of age, was ripe for confirmation. It pleased God to remove her from the Church militant to the rest of the faithful departed, before she could be admitted to that earthly communion in which all the other members of her family join. On Christmas day and its vigil, the Nativity of our Lord was celebrated within the borders of Haddam, for the first time, it is believed, since that blessed event was announced to the Shepherds of Bethlehem. Attempts have been made to introduce the practice of Antiphonal Chanting in the simple Gregorian tones; and nothing but the want of books has hindered the whole psalter from being sung in the same time which it takes to read it. The great advantage of this method of chanting is that it brings all voices into unison. Every word is pronounced by every mouth at the same time. The experience of ages has shown that the constant use of the psalter in this manner enlarges, exalts and purifies the devout affections of the soul.

### REV. WILLIAM JARVIS,

Reports to the Bishop, that after many and frequent trials, he has invariably found his utterance to fail him on reading a few minutes in an audible voice. He has therefore, during the past year, refrained from all professional duty which involved the exercise of public speaking, except in the single instance of presenting a candidate for Holy Orders.

### STEPHEN JEWETT.

In presenting my report, as required by canon, I have only to refer to my last year's report—with one additional particular. On several occasions I have officiated by reading of Prayers or administering the Holy Communion

to the members (colored) of St. Luke's Church, New Haven, which, it will be remembered, was admitted into union with this Convention at our last annual meeting. This congregation meets in the basement of the lecture room belonging to the Parish of Trinity Church, and though few in numbers, is respectable in point of information and character, and deserving of the fostering care and liberality of their more highly favored brethren in Christ. It gives me pleasure to feel myself able to render them occasional services.

### TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON.

Since the resignation of this Parish by Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, the Rev. Isaac Jones has been chosen Rector, of which a communication has been forwarded to the Bishop.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEW PRESTON.

ALFRED MERSAN LOUTREL, MINISTER.

Families 75; baptisms 3; communicants 60; deaths and burials 2; Sunday School—teachers 8, scholars about 40.

From the 18th Sunday after Trinity, A. D. 1844, the following services were performed:

1. Morning Prayer, the Litany, Ante-Communion service and a Sermon, A. M. every Lord's day. Evening Prayer, and a Sermon, P. M. every Lord's day. Morning Prayer and a Sermon, on the day appointed by the civil authority as a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God; also, Morning Prayer, the Litany in full, and the Ante-Communion service on Good Friday, A. M.

2. The Holy Communion administered once in each month, and on the festivals of Christmas day, Easter day, and Whit-Sunday.

3. The children of the parish instructed, on the first Sunday in each month, in "a Catechism, that is to say, an instruction to be learned by every person before he be brought to be confirmed by the Bishop."

For a portion of the time the children were instructed in a Sunday School under the direction of Mr. Edward Hunt, senior Warden. Its session is during a part of the spring, the summer, and the autumn of each year.

A collection was made, on the 25th Sunday after Trinity, for the Board of Missions, amounting to seven dollars.

Two societies are in existence, established, one to procure and distribute religious tracts; the other to commence and continue a Parish Library. Their meetings are held monthly, opened and closed with devotional exercises from the Liturgy.

A weekly meeting, intended primarily for the teachers of the Sunday School, is held, for instruction in the Gospels to be used throughout the year.

All the members of the parish have been regularly visited, and the spiritual wants of the sick conscientiously attended to.

### REV. JAMES D. MEAD.

Since my transfer to the Diocese of Connecticut I have performed such occasional services as the infirm state of my health would permit. I trust, with renewed strength, and in humble dependence on divine aid, to be hereafter more actively engaged in the sacred duties of the ministry.



**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.****WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D., RECTOR.**

Families about 100; baptisms—15 infants; confirmed 14; communicants—added 15, died or removed 5, present number 194; marriages 2; funerals 18; Sunday School—teachers 50, scholars 286; contributions—weekly offerings \$175.02; other contributions for Trinity College, &c. above \$400.

**TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.****REV. FREDERICK MILLER, MINISTER.**

Families 85; communicants—added by removal 5, anew 10, lost by death 2, by removal 3, present number 103; baptisms—infants 14, adults 2; confirmed 11; marriages 5; burials 5; Sunday School—teachers 15, scholars during the year (including the members of a Bible class) 85. A Bible class is also held at the parsonage every Sunday evening, at which there is an average attendance of about 25. Contributions for missionary and charitable purposes, \$422.27.

A good organ has been contracted for, and is nearly finished; the cost of which has been mostly raised by the ladies of two sewing societies, whose persevering and praiseworthy efforts have contributed very much to the prosperity of the parish. Services have been held in the Church with two or three exceptions on all those days for which a special service is appointed, and also occasionally in different parts of the parish. The parsonage house built three or four years since, has been heretofore held by different individuals as stock; but most of these have generously given their stock for the benefit of the parish, and it is hoped the remainder will soon be made up by others.

From the day of small things, this parish is gradually gaining in strength, and exhibiting most gratifying evidences of prosperity and increase.

**CHRIST CHURCH, SHARON.****REV. MARTIN MOODY, RECTOR.**

Families—added 2, present number 42; baptisms—children 2; communicants—removed 4, died 2, present number 64; burials 4; catechumens 16; missionary and charitable contributions exclusive of objects within the parish, \$70.

**CHRIST CHURCH, STRATFORD.****REV. JOHN MORGAN, RECTOR.**

The Rector of Christ Church, Stratford, reports for the past year—Baptisms 15—one adult; confirmed 10—one in private; new communicants 12; marriages 2; deaths of communicants 2; funerals 4. The state of the Parish is considered to be improving—"but still there is room."

**CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.****REV. WILLIAM F. MORGAN, RECTOR.**

The number of families belonging to this Parish cannot be accurately determined, inasmuch as for some years past, the sittings of the Church have fallen short of the demand. In his last report to the Convention, the late Rector represents twenty families as excluded by this insufficiency of



room. And the recent Easter sale of pews confirmed his statement in respect to a still larger number. I am most happy however, in being able to say, that my parishioners are alive to the importance of immediate action in regard to a new and more commodious edifice, and have already, with praiseworthy liberality, taken some of the preliminary steps. The Rev. S. B. Paddock, for twenty-two years pastor of this flock, resigned his charge in the fall of 1844, and the latest number of communicants reported by him, to the Convention, are 178. The present Rector succeeded in September of the same year, and would offer the following report of his official acts since. He has received 7 to the communion, 4 by letter, and 3 anew, while 2 have been lost by removal, and 1 by death, leaving an aggregate of 183; baptisms 23—infants 15, adults 8; burials 8; marriages 7; contributions since September—General Missions \$213,69, Jubilee College \$220, for the use of Sunday School \$22, Christian Knowledge Society \$30, offertory \$73,17, aggregate \$558,86.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

REV. C. MUNSON, RECTOR.

Families 78; baptisms—5 infants; confirmed 6; communicants—added by removal 4, anew 6; lost by removal 3, by death 2, whole number 127; marriages 6; burials 8; Sunday School teachers 10, scholars 70; monthly contributions for missionary and other objects, beyond the limits of the Parish \$47,48 1-2.

### CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLE HADDAM.

REV. S. NASH, RECTOR.

Communicants 42; families 40; marriages 3; burials 5; Sunday scholars 20, do. teachers 3; raised for Foreign Missions \$21,61; Diocesan purposes \$10,37 1-2; improvements—repairing organ \$40, window blinds for the Church, by the ladies \$68.

### CHRIST CHURCH, QUAKER FARMS, AND ST. PETER'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. A. NICHOLS, LATE RECTOR.

In November last, I was compelled by sickness to suspend all parochial labor, and in January succeeding, I formally relinquished the charge of Christ Church, Quaker Farms, and St. Peter's, Oxford; having been connected with the former nearly five years, and with the latter nearly four. Not having present access to the parish register, by reason of my removal to a distant part of the Diocese, I am unable to give the exact statistics for the past year. It may be stated with confidence, in general, they are such as indicate progression. The edifice of St. Peter's Parish has been thoroughly repaired and furnished, at the cost of nearly \$1,000. Of this sum, \$400 were taken from the fund, and the remainder has been obtained, in part, by subscription, leaving a debt of some amount, yet to be provided for. The services of the Church have been well attended; the attachment of the greater part of the congregation, to the doctrines and usages of the Church, is decided and unwavering—and, to human eye, there seems nothing wanting but a little increase of unanimity, zeal and liberality to render the parish independent and efficient.

The parish of Christ Church, is believed to be united and prosperous. Its

edifice has been put in a state of good repair—public worship has been well attended—and a Sunday School of about 60 scholars, regular, and well trained in the way in which, as members of the Catholic Church, they should go, gives sure promise of future strength and stability to the parish. The only discouraging feature was this period, has been a want of punctuality in meeting its pecuniary engagements. In this however, it is but just to add, there has been lately evinced a laudable disposition to reform. It is now free from all pecuniary obligations, and has a small fund to aid in the support of its services.

In making his last report in connection with these parishes, the late Rector would be doing injustice to his own feelings were he to withhold the expression of his grateful sense of the uniform kindness and confidence he has experienced from the people of his charge, during his entire ministrations among them. May God by his holy spirit, build them up in his most holy faith, and thoroughly furnish them unto every good word and work.

Having partially regained my health, I was engaged from January to Easter, as assistant to the Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown, and on Sunday after Ascension, I commenced officiating in St. Paul's Church, Windham. For the canonical report of this parish, for the last year, reference is made to its late Rector.

### ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. G. HUNTINGTON NICHOLS, MINISTER.

From the last sitting of the Convention until Easter, 1845, I continued to officiate in St. Luke's Church, Glastonbury, for the official acts of which time, I must refer to the report of the present incumbent of that parish.

On Sunday after Ascension, I assumed the temporary charge of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield. From the records of the late Rector, I learn that there are families about 90; that there have been during the past Conventional year, baptisms—infants 5, adults 3; confirmed 9; communicants—added anew 6, by removal 5, lost by removals 4; burials 9; marriages 11.

Exclusive of the discharge of the regular Lord's day duties, together with those resulting from a flourishing Sunday School, I have but the solemnization of a marriage to report.

### CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.

REV. GEORGE WARNER NICHOLS, RECTOR.

The hopes expressed in the report of last year, with regard to the future prospects of this parish, have been in some degree realized. By the blessing of God upon the stated services of the Church and other efforts which can be made only by a resident Clergyman, new zeal and energy have been awakened. In proof of this, we may here say that the parish have already commended extensive and beautiful improvements in the Church edifice. The old building has been moved back and placed upon a substantial foundation, and an addition of fourteen feet in length is to be built in front with a handsome gothic tower. Both the interior and exterior of the building are to be altered. The cost of this improvement will not vary much from \$1,000; of this sum \$200 was obtained by a fair, in which the Ladies were generously assisted by the neighboring parishes of New Haven; subscription to Washington College charity fund about \$60.

From this it will be seen that the parish have done more during the past

year, than has been done before. And we cannot but believe that an onward movement has taken place, which will result in the continued growth and future prosperity of the parish.

During the Lent Season a weekly lecture was held in the Church; on these occasions the attendance was good and the effect salutary. The system of monthly offerings has been adopted. The holy communion is administered once every month.

It has been the aim of the Rector to inculcate from time to time the principles and doctrines of our Church, to set forth the value and importance of the sacraments, as well as to build up the people in all the virtues and graces which adorn the Christian character. And although we can hardly say that the spiritual progress of the parish has kept pace with its temporal, yet we still believe some good has been done, and that God has blessed the labors of his ministry to the spiritual and everlasting benefit of immortal souls.

Statistics as follows: communicants—added anew 4, died 2, present number 39; baptisms—adult 1, infants 4; marriages 1; number of persons confirmed at the late visitation of the Bishop 9.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKFIELD.

REV. H. D. NOBLE, MINISTER.

Families 78; baptisms—infants and children 6; confirmed 7; communicants—added by removal 1, anew 1, lost by death 5, by removal 1, present number 82; marriages 8; burials 17; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars 50; missionary and charitable contributions—monthly offerings \$41.63, offerings of S. S. \$3.50, offerings of a communicant \$25, total \$70.13. This amount has been appropriated as follows: to Domestic Missions \$41, Foreign Missions \$9, Bible and Prayer Book Society \$4.25, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$15.88. In addition to this, the sum of \$19 has been contributed for replenishing the Sunday School Library, and a donation of \$200 has been made by a communicant, to the Washington College Charity Fund.

The present incumbent took charge of this Parish on the first Sunday in July last, since which time he has regularly officiated. The general condition and prospects of the Parish may be regarded as decidedly encouraging. The attendance upon the services of God's house is good, and is gradually increasing. Several who were confirmed at the recent visitation of the Bishop are expected to come to the communion when next it is administered. The Sunday School is in a flourishing condition. During the past year the Parish have procured a bell for the use of the Church. And last, though not *least*, a few individuals have purchased, at a cost of from two to three thousand dollars, a commodious and very valuable parsonage, with several acres of excellent land attached. In view of these encouraging circumstances, we feel that we have much reason to thank God for his past mercies to us, to gird up our loins anew to the work which is before us, and to pray still more fervently that the love of God may be shed abroad in the hearts of both minister and people, by the power of the Holy Ghost.

REV. HENRY OLMSTED, JR.,

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF ST. JAMES' PARISH, DANBURY AND BETHEL.

After my ordination in November last, and until the first Sunday after Easter, I officiated in the Parishes of St. Peters', Oxford, and Christ

Church, Quaker's Farm; where I baptized two children and solemnized one marriage. Since then I have been engaged as Assistant Minister of St. James' Parish, Danbury, as will be seen by the report of the Rector of the Parish.

## EPISCOPAL ACADEMY OF CONNECTICUT.

REV. S. E. PARDOCK, PRINCIPAL.

I resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Norwich, on the 8th of September, 1844, and entered upon the discharge of my duties as Principal of the Episcopal Academy, assisted by a graduate of Washington College, on the 6th of November following. Since that period I have preached for my clerical brethren, and in vacant Parishes on several occasions, but have made the interests of the Academy my primary and paramount object. The whole number connected with the Institution has been 53. Of these, 28 have been engaged in the study of the classics, and 25 have been pursuing the ordinary and higher branches of an English education. A public examination of two days was held at the close of the last term, honored by the presence of several literary gentlemen. To carry out the purposes of the founders of the Institution, and in accordance with my own sense of duty, I have endeavored both to impart an intellectual education to those committed to my charge, and to imbue their minds with Christian principles and feelings. In furtherance of this latter object, I have not only required every pupil to attend on the public services of the Church, but have assembled them in the Academy on Sunday evenings, and lectured them upon subjects designed both to interest them in religious truths, and to enforce a corresponding practice. I regret to state, that only two looking forward to the sacred ministry, have applied for gratuitous instruction. In conclusion, I beg leave to assure the Convention that I regard the Academy as in a healthy state, and that no pains shall be spared on my part to make it all that its friends and patrons can desire. In return, I would solicit the co-operation of my brethren, not only for my own sake, but also for the sake of the Church, believing that all must see the close connexion between an intellectual and religious education, and to accomplish both, the importance of sustaining our own institutions.

## CHRIST CHURCH, POMFRET.

REV. ROSWELL PARK, RECTOR.

Families 20; baptisms—adults 2, infants 8, total 10; communicants—added by removal 4, by profession 3, lost by removal 5, by death 1, present number 31; marriages 2; funerals 5; Sunday School—teachers 4, scholars 23; missionary contributions—to general missions \$6. The average attendance on the services of this Church has increased during the past year from 52 to 65; and the number of parishioners from 76 to 86; while the number of Sunday scholars has been nearly doubled. There are now 44 volumes in the Parish Library, besides 107 larger, and 48 smaller volumes for the Sunday School. The fund for the erection of a parsonage has been increased within the Parish from \$44 to \$400; to which \$100 has been added by Rev. Dr. Vinton, and \$102 by several benevolent members of St. James' Church, New London, on condition that a parsonage should be erected during the present season. To secure these contributions, it has accordingly been determined to build a parsonage this summer; and a contract for the same has been executed, and the work com-

menced, in expectation of farther assistance from Hartford and Norwich. Owing to this important effort, the Parish has raised, during the past year, besides \$55 for minor improvements and repairs, and \$8 for parochial charities, only \$260 towards the Rector's salary; of which \$50 were derived from the weekly offerings. The assistance of the society for Promoting Christian Knowledge is imperatively needed for a short time, and it is hoped only a short time longer, in order to establish this Church, by the blessing of God, on a firm foundation. So it would probably have been, some years since, could it have been provided with a constant ministry. The Rector would acknowledge with deep gratitude, God's mercy to this waste place of our Zion, in stirring up the zeal of its devout members and friends in its behalf.

#### REV. WM. PAYNE.

Under the advice of the Bishop, I resigned the Rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, on Easter last, and removed to Hartford for the purpose of taking the editorial charge of the Diocesan paper. For an account of the state of that Parish down to the time of my resignation, I refer to the report of Rev. G. Huntington Nichols, who is temporarily officiating there.

Besides attending to the Calendar, I have been acting, since Easter, as Missionary of Hartford County, under an appointment from the Bishop. In this capacity I have officiated four Sundays in St. Gabriel's, Windsor, one Sunday in East Hartford, twice at Wethersfield, and twice in Unionville, Farmington. The services in the last three places have as yet been so few that I cannot speak with much confidence as to the ultimate result. To the statistics of St. Gabriel's, contained in the report of the Rev. Wm. B. Corbyn, the minister for the last year, I have nothing to add with respect to that Parish.

#### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, POQUETONNOCK.

REV. DEXTER POTTER, RECTOR.

Families 48; communicants 73, added anew 3, died 1, removed 3, total 72; baptisms—infants 21; marriages 2; burials 6; Sabbath scholars 60; teachers 12; contributions \$8.

The condition of this Church is much the same as when reported last year. Since that period, however, the parishioners have been encouraged to purchase an organ for the improvement of their Church music, and to improve at considerable expense, the external aspect of their Church building. We hope to reap still greater blessings if we faint not.

#### UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

I took charge of this Parish on the 4th of May last. As yet I have not been able to obtain a personal knowledge of it sufficient to afford me the necessary information to make an accurate report of its present state. According to my predecessor's report of 1844, it has families 110; communicants 77, added since 4th May, 5, present number 82; confirmed 11. I have no baptisms, no burials, to report. The Sunday School has lately been opened with encouraging prospects. The services of the Church are well

attended, and with the Divine blessing, I have a good hope of increase of the Parish in spiritual and temporal prosperity.

### CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.

REV. N. E. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.

Families 145; baptisms—infants 10, adults 6, total 16; confirmed 11; communicants—added anew 6, by removal 1, lost by death 3, by removal 8, whole number 160; marriages 5; burials 14; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars 140; missionary and charitable offerings, 1844, \$166.93.

It is now seven years since the present Rector took charge of this interesting and important Parish. It had at that time enjoyed full clerical services only about seven years. By referring to the statistics of the Parish, from year to year, it will be seen that while the population of the town has been gradually diminishing, and although within the last period of seven years a meeting house for the Methodists has been erected, still this portion of Christ's fold has continued to lengthen its cords and strengthen its stakes. It is within the memory of man, when here as elsewhere, a Churchman was a by-word. Now the Church embraces, as we suppose, fully one half of the population of the town, and the prospects for the future were never more flattering. A large number of the youthful part of the population, and those in middle life, are members of the Parish and regular attendants of public worship. May they partake more of the life of "that body" which they profess so highly to respect.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.

REV. RODNEY ROSSITER, RECTOR.

Baptisms 4, 1 adult and 3 children; communicants—lost by death 2, by removal 2, added anew 4; marriages 3; burials 7, (3 of them not belonging to the Parish;) Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars about 50; charitable contributions for objects not belonging to the Parish—Domestic Missions \$11.50, Foreign Missions \$16. To this may be added \$95 subscribed and paid to the Charity Fund of Washington (now Trinity) College; in all \$122.50. At the last Parish meeting twelve persons enrolled their names as members of the Parish according to statute.

### CHRIST CHURCH, DERBY.

REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, LATE RECTOR.

Number of families between 50 and 60; baptisms—infants 3, adults 4, total 7; confirmed 4; communicants 54; marriages 3; burials 1; Sunday School—scholars 40, teachers 8. The Parish within the last year have raised, mostly within themselves, some \$450, which has been expended in repairs on their Church edifice. The monthly offerings of the Church have been continued through the year; but so great has been the burthen of the Parish in sustaining services for the whole time, and in making necessary repairs on their Church, that none of these offerings have been appropriated to objects without the Parish. Beside the regular services on Sunday, extra services have been held during the pleasant months of the year, and through Lent. The difficulties which have unhappily existed between this and the Parish in Birmingham, in reference to contested property, have been permanently settled. I think that the prospects of this

Parish are now decidedly favorable, and that it will become ere long, by the blessing of God upon the zealous efforts of its members and supporters, a good and substantial Parish.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, RECTOR.

As I have but just taken charge of this Parish, I am not able to make any report as to statistics, and I can therefore only say, judging from the general state of things, that they seem to be quite promising. The seats in Church are nearly all taken, and the congregation is increasing. The people of my new charge seem to be united, and evidently desirous to co-operate with their Pastor in all those things which are promotive of God's glory and the good of the Church.

### ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WILTON.

REV. D. H. SHORT, RECTOR.

In reporting the services which I have performed since the last Annual Convention, I have to state that I have officiated in whole or in part, every Lord's Day, and on the principal Holy Days. I have administered the Holy Communion 15 times in Church, and once in private, to a sick person; have baptized 2 adults and 1 infant; have solemnized 5 marriages; and have attended 12 funerals.

On the 1st of April I received and accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton, to officiate one half of the time. The number of families belonging to this Parish are about 30; the number of communicants registered is 47, but not over about 30 are in the habit of receiving the sacrament; contribution to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$6.

### UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

REV. JOHN D. SMITH, LATE RECTOR.

From the last Convention to the time of my resignation of this Parish at Easter last, I have to report, baptisms—infants 12, adults 1; marriages 6; burials 8. The remaining statistics, state of the Parish, &c. are contained in the report of my successor, the Rev. John Purves, under whose ministrations I am confident, by the blessing of God, this Parish will continue to prosper.

I am now officiating on every Lord's Day at Trinity Church, Woodbridge, the state of which may be found in the report of my predecessor, the Rev. Henry Townsend.

### TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

REV. SABURA STEBBINS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families 208; baptisms—infants 15, adults 1; confirmed 28; communicants—added anew 14, by removals 2, lost by death 5; whole number 240; marriages 8; burials 27; Sunday School teachers 35, scholars, usual number from 175 to 200; missionary and charitable contributions \$219.19.

No change worthy of notice in this report, has taken place in my parish



during the last Conventional year, except such as the above schedule includes.

As to myself, it is proper, I suppose, to report to my Diocesan that, from the last Convention until autumn, I was absent from my Parish in quest of health—that on my return and the resumption of public speaking, I was necessitated immediately to suspend it again—that thereafter I performed no religious services until Easter, and that since that time until the present, I have been able only to preach twice on each Sunday—the service being performed for me by a very acceptable Lay assistant. My complaint is now much better, and I have hope that by the Divine blessing, with suitable care in speaking on my part, I shall in due time be restored to my former health. But if it be otherwise ordained by a wise Providence, God's will be done.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STAMFORD.

REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D. RECTOR.

Families about 114; baptisms—infants 10, adults 1; marriages 5; burials 6; confirmed 8; Sunday School teachers 10, scholars about 70; communicants—added anew 5, by removals 6, lost by death 2, whole number about 159; missionary and charitable contributions, exclusive of those connected with the Parish \$81.66; collection for Christian Knowledge Society \$41.83.

The Rector is still enabled to report his Parish as flourishing. The congregations on the Lord's day have never been as large as at the present, and whenever the Church is open for divine service on other days, there is a respectable attendance.

During the seasons of our Lenten Fast, it has been the practice of the Rector for years to open his Study for Daily Morning Prayer. On the last Lenten Fast a daily service was held in the Church, and although the attendance was not as large as we could wish, yet the influence was extensively felt.

### —, WESTON.

REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, MINISTER.

Soon after the last Convention, the Rev. Samuel Nichols assisting, I took charge of the Parish of Weston—the Church being opened one half of the Sundays until the cold weather of winter set in, when, being too poor and unfit to meet in in severe weather, it was closed until Spring.

During the winter, from too much exposure, my health again so much declined, as induced a resignation of my charge. Since Spring has opened, I have so improved in health as to resume services in the Church, at the request of the Wardens. A new Church is being built in the Parish—expected to be ready for consecration in the fall. It is hoped that then the Parish will become settled and strengthened.

The unsettled state of the Parish renders it difficult to give the number of families, or communicants. Baptisms—infants 1; funerals 3.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW HAVEN, (WESTVILLE.)

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families 35; baptisms—adults 5, infants 9; confirmed 11; communicants—added anew 9, by removal 5, lost by removal 1, by death 1, present number 44; marriages 2; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars



30; missionary and charitable contributions—alms and monthly offerings \$105,55; appropriated to the two Boards of Domestic and Foreign Missions \$68, (of which \$65 was the gift of two benevolent Ladies;) Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$5; Convention fund \$2,50; and the residue to the wants of the Parish. Besides the foregoing, the sum of \$40 has been paid to the Charity Fund of Trinity College. In the last Conventional year there was a contribution of \$7,13 to the County Missions, the acknowledgment of which was accidentally omitted.

During the absence of the Rector of Christ Church, East Haven, I baptized in his Parish 1 adult, and officiated at 1 burial, and 1 marriage.

The small and struggling Parish of St. James', Westville, has, the present year, undertaken the noble effort of sustaining Clerical services on every Lord's day. Relying as heretofore, upon some aid from abroad, there will still be required, to continue the favorite measure, much self-denial and exertion; but since these are so freely submitted to, we cannot but cherish the hope and belief that the present arrangement will be perpetuated.

### TRINITY CHURCH, WOODBRIDGE.

REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, LATE RECTOR.

Families 25; communicants—lost by removal 2, present number 8; confirmed 3; marriages 2; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 30; missionary and charitable contributions for objects out of the parish—Domestic and Foreign Missions \$4; Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$5. A collection the last year for County Missions of \$5,68, was inadvertently omitted.

The late Rector, the last winter, having been invited to give his whole time to St. James' Parish, Westville, resigned his charge at Woodbridge, the first Sunday after Easter.

This Parish is now, for the first time, happily enjoying the services of a Minister, (the Rev. J. D. Smith,) on every Lord's day.

It is fondly hoped that their increase of spiritual things will be proportionate.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

REV. WILLIAM WARLAND, RECTOR.

Families—removal 4, present number 28; baptisms—infants 8; communicants—added 3, present number 26; marriage 1; burial 1; Sunday School—teachers 5, scholars 30; contributions for missions equally divided between the Foreign and Domestic departments \$15; for Sunday School Books \$7,50.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. WILLIAM WATSON, RECTOR.

Families 118; baptisms—infants 12, adults 16, total 28; confirmed 31; communicants—added by removal from other cures 6, by first communion 30, lost by death 7, by removal 7, present number 245; marriages 6; burials 12; Sunday School—teachers 23, pupils 120.

Missionary and charitable contributions as follows: to the Church Schol- arship Society \$34,57; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$50; to the Domestic Department of our Missionary Society, for general purposes

\$18; to Nashotah \$31; to the Foreign Department for general purposes \$5; for the support of Theophilus Morris in one of our mission schools in Africa \$20; to our mission at Constantinople \$25; to Bishop Southgate, for the purchase of a Baptismal Font, \$25.63; funds on hand unappropriated, \$33.21. In addition to the above, there has been furnished by the Ladies of the parish, a box of clothing for the African mission, valued at \$17; and a Surplice for the parish of Wolcottville valued at \$11; in all \$261.41.—This is wholly exclusive of the collections at the offertory for the relief of the poor, and of all other objects within the parish, the sustaining of which, aside from the usual current expenses, have, the last year, been at a cost of not less than \$250.

Divine service has been celebrated usually three times on each Lord's day—the third service being more commonly in remote quarters of the parish; also, on all the principal Festivals and Fasts, Public Prayer has been said once at least, generally twice. During the Season of Lent a Lecture was delivered on each Wednesday or Friday; and in Passion Week the Church was opened each day for Morning and Evening Prayer. The Services appointed, also, for the Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week, and for the Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-week have been duly celebrated; nor have the days set apart by the Church in memory of the blessed Apostles and Evangelists, and other martyred ones, gone wholly unnoticed. The attendance of the people on all these services has been good.

The foregoing statistics and statements show with, perhaps, sufficient clearness and fulness the condition of this Parish. I will, however, add, that notwithstanding the necessary absence of its Rector, on general business of the Church, for a large part of the past year, it has yet increased in both numbers and strength. Never, since the present incumbent has been in the cure, has there been so large a demand for Church sittings as at the present; the calls are more than can well be answered, and already are we suffering the evil of being obliged to separate in the House of God the children of the Church from their parents—an evil which nothing can remedy but larger accommodation. God be thanked for the external prosperity of this Parish; and may He give us grace to have a care that its inward state correspond with its outward.

#### ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

The state of this parish as to number of families and communicants, is substantially the same as at the time of the last report.

What ministerial acts have been performed in the parish within the past year is not known. The parish is now without ministerial care. But it is hoped it will soon find some one who will break to them the Bread of Life.

#### ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, MILFORD.

REV. FERDINAND E. WHITE, RECTOR.

Families 38; baptisms—infants 14, (including one not reported last year,) adults one; confirmed 0; communicants—removed 2, disciplined 1, added 4, total 49; marriages 2; burials 1; Church offerings \$9.64.

The catechising of the children openly in the Church has been continued by the Rector during the year past.

The Holy Communion has been administered on the first Sunday of

every month, and also upon the Festivals of Christmas, Easter, Ascension, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday.

The practice of weekly parochial offerings has been introduced into the parish since Easter last, with the trust that the same may be blessed to the increase of Christian charity and self-denial, and to the realization of the truth of the Saviour's words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." There is abundant reason in the continued manifestation of the Divine favor towards them, for this parish to thank God and take courage.

### GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

REV. J. M. WILLEY, RECTOR.

Families 38; baptisms—infants 2, adult 1; communicants—added 5, total 35; marriage 1; burials 6; contributions for holy and pious uses \$160.

The Rector has occasionally officiated in the adjoining town of Westbrook.

### CHRIST CHURCH, BETHANY.

REV. F. B. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

Families about 50; baptisms—infants 2; communicants—added 3; marriages 3; burials 8. The condition of the parish much the same as last year. It has suffered by deaths and removals, and we are constrained to acknowledge that the ways of Zion mourn because few come to her solemn feasts.

### CHRIST CHURCH GREENWICH, AND EMMANUEL CHAPEL, GLENVILE.

REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Since the last annual report, there have been in this Parish, baptisms—infants 11, adults 10, total 21; confirmations 23; communicants added 24; marriages 2; burials 8; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars 80; Church offerings \$63,85.

The Rev. Elijah Guion, who assisted me in Emmanuel Chapel, Glenville, left last fall. The two services there, however, have been continued. Mr. H. H. Reid, a Candidate for Orders in the Diocese of New York, reads the service and a sermon in the afternoon, and I preach in the evening.

### TRINITY CHURCH, WOLCOTTVILLE.

REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families 50; communicants—added by removal 11—17; marriages 2; burials 4; Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars 40; Bible Class, composed of young persons under the immediate charge of the Rector, 20.

Since the last Convention a commodious and substantial Church has been erected for this Parish, which was consecrated to the worship of Almighty God by the Bishop of the Diocese, on the 4th of December last. For the aid which we obtained to complete that work, we feel under great obligations to our brethren in different parts of the Diocese, and we trust that the day is not far distant, when besides supporting the institutions of

religion among ourselves, we may have the ability and disposition to give something to the needy.

From the sale of the slips a sufficient amount has been realized to secure the entire services of a minister, and from Easter I have devoted the whole of my time to the care of that people.

In consequence of the heavy expenses of the Parish during the year, it has been thought advisable to omit the usual canonical collections.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON.**

**VACANT—REPORT BY ITS LATE RECTOR.**

Families 45; baptisms 5; communicants—removed 3, died 1, added anew 2, present number 47; marriages 1; burials 4. The Parish at Harwinton has been vacant since Easter, when its late Rector removed to Wolcottville, but it is to be hoped the interesting people there may speedily be supplied with a minister.

[The following report was not received in time for insertion in its proper place.]

### **ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHESHIRE.**

**REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.**

Families 54; baptisms—infants 8; confirmed 11; communicants 90, added by removals 19, anew 6, lost by death 4, by removals 10; marriages 1, extra parochial; burials 10; Sunday School—teachers 6; missionary and charitable contributions \$54.58.

The above statistics evince an improvement in our spiritual condition. The total number of communicants, if all were reported whose names are enrolled on the Parish records, would be more than a hundred; but as many of these have long since withdrawn from all public religious duties, and ceased to wear before the world the badge of a Christian profession, it is but just to strike them from the list and count those only on whose steadfastness and Christian character we may with some degree of safety rely. The Parish is united and free from influences which would tend to check its prosperity. Measures have been adopted to place in our Church an organ of suitable dimensions and power, and if successful, we anticipate a removal of some inconveniences from which we occasionally suffer.

# LIST OF THE CLERGY

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### DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION, 1845.

**Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D., Bishop ; resi-  
ding at Hartford.**

**Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rector of St. James', Birmingham.**

**Rev. Wm. Atwill, Rector of St. Mark's, Bridgewater.**

**\*Rev. Ashbel Baldwin.**

**Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's North Guilford.**

**Rev. Henry H. Bates, Rector of St. John's, North Guilford.**

**Rev. E. Edwards Beardsley, Rector of St. Peters', Cheshire.**

**Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.**

**Rev. Wm. W. Bronson, Rector of Christ Church, Trumbull.**

**Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's, Wallingford.**

**Rev. Edward C. Bull, Rector of Christ Church, Westport.**

**Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.**

**Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., residing at Poughkeepsie.**

**Rev. Rivorius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.**

**Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven.**

**Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's, Waterbury.**

**Rev. Jonathan Coe, 2d. Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.**

**Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's, Bridgeport.**

**Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fairfield.**

**Rev. Wm. B. Corbyn, Missionary at Manchester and Coventry.**

**Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.**

**Rev. A. C. Coxe, Rector of St. John's, Hartford.**

**Rev. Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.**

**Rev. Giles H. Deshon, Rector of St. Luke's, Glastenbury.**

**\*Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, Rector of St. Paul's, Bantam Falls.**

**Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.**

**Rev. Charles W. Everest, Rector of Grace Church, Hamden.**

**Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector of St. John's, North Haven, and St. An-  
drew's, Northford.**

**Rev. George W. Fash, Missionary at Kent and Canaan.**

**Rev. George L. Foote, Rector of Christ Church, Roxbury, and St.  
John's Church, Washington.**

**Rev. Wm. H. Frisbie, Minister of Union Church, Hitchcockville.**

**Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Stephen's, East Haddam.**

**Rev. Geo. S. Gordon, Rector of St. Paul's, Huntington.**

**Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of St. Mark's, New Britain.**

**Rev. Thomas T. Guion, Rector of St. James', Danbury.**

**Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James', New London.**

**Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Peter's, Hebron.**

**Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Northfield.**

- Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's, Naugatuck.  
 Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's, New Milford.  
 \*Rev. E. S. Ives, Minister of St. James', Zoar, Newtown.  
 Rev. A. Jackson, Professor in Trinity College.  
 Rev. Samuel Farmer Jarvis, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.  
 Rev. William Jarvis, residing at Portland.  
 Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.  
 • Rev. Isaac Jones, Rector of Trinity Church, Milton.  
 \*Rev. Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.  
 Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Norwalk.  
 Rev. J. D. Mead, residing at Norwalk.  
 Rev. Frederick Miller, Jun. Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.  
 Rev. Martin Moody, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.  
 Rev. William F. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.  
 Rev. John Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.  
 Rev. C. Munson, Rector of St. Andrew's, Meriden.  
 Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.  
 Rev. H. D. Noble, Rector of St. James', Brookfield.  
 Rev. Joseph Hurlbert Nichols, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New Haven.  
 Rev. Abel Nichols, Minister of St. Paul's, Windham.  
 Rev. George H. Nichols, officiating at St. Michael's, Litchfield.  
 Rev. George W. Nichols, Minister of Christ Church East Haven.  
 Rev. H. Olmstead, Jr., Assistant Minister of St. James' Parish, Danbury.  
 Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Principal Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.  
 Rev. Roswell Park, Rector of Christ Church, Pomfret.  
 Rev. William Payne, Missionary of Hartford County.  
 \*Rev. Dexter Potter, Rector of St. James, Preston, (Poquetonnock.)  
 Rev. John Purves, Rector Union Church, Humphreysville.  
 Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.  
 \*Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's, Monroe.  
 \*Rev. Thomas S. Savage, Missionary to Africa.  
 Rev. Joseph Scott, Rector of St. John's, Essex.  
 Rev. D. H. Short, Minister of St. Matthew's, Wilton.  
 Rev. J. D. Smith, Minister of Trinity Church, Woodbridge.  
 Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.  
 Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Stamford.  
 \*Rev. David G. Tomlinson, residing at Trumbull.  
 Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., President of Trinity College, Hartford.  
 Rev. Henry Townsend, Rector of St. James', Westville.  
 Rev. William Warland, Jr., Rector of St. John's, Salisbury.  
 \*Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's, Tariffville, (Simsbury.)  
 Rev. William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's, Plymouth.  
 Rev. Ferdinand E. White, Rector of St. George's, Milford.  
 Rev. J. M. Willey, Minister of Grace Church, Saybrook.  
 Rev. Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.  
 Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.  
 Rev. Henry Zell, Rector of Trinity Church, Wolcottville.

Total, 85.

Clergymen to whose name an asterisk (\*) is prefixed, were not present during the session of the Convention.

**CLERGYMEN NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1845.**

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| <b>Rev. G. Benton,</b> | <b>Rev. H. Hills, Jr.</b>  |
| “ B. Benham,           | “ T. M. Leavenworth, N. Y. |
| “ C. W. Bradley, N. Y. | “ A. M. Loutrel, N. J.     |
| “ S. T. Carpenter,     | “ B. G. Noble,             |
| “ P. G. Clark,         | “ A. Spooner,              |
| “ R. Cox, N. Y.        | “ S. S. Stocking,          |
| “ H. De Koven,         | “ I. M. Tuttle,            |
| “ W. Everett, N. Y.    | “ G. S. White,             |
| “ W. G. French,        | “ M. Wilcox.               |
| “ C. H. Hall,          | <b>Total, 19.</b>          |

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.**

|                                  |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Isaac G. Hubbard, A. B.</b>   | <b>John Betts, A. B.</b>       |
| <b>James G. Blair, A. B.</b>     | <b>David P. Sanford, A. B.</b> |
| <b>Thomas M. Peters, A. B.</b>   | <b>John C. Sterling, A. B.</b> |
| <b>William H. Clark, A. B.</b>   | <b>Oliver, S. Prescott,</b>    |
| <b>Charles R. Fisher, A. B.</b>  | <b>Jones G. French,</b>        |
| <b>George J. Geer, A. B.</b>     | <b>Timothy Wilcox,</b>         |
| <b>Charles W. Wooster, A. B.</b> | <b>Henry Floy Roberts,</b>     |
| <b>Abel Ogden, A. B.</b>         | <b>James McKay, A. M.</b>      |
| <b>Thomas S. Preston, A. B.</b>  | <b>J. J. Bowden,</b>           |
| <b>Henry V. Gardner, A. B.</b>   | <b>Alfred B. Beach,</b>        |
| <b>Joseph P. Taylor, A. B.</b>   | <b>James Stephenson,</b>       |
| <b>George Rossiter, A. B.</b>    | <b>Baylies P. Talbot,</b>      |
| <b>John J. Brandagee, A. B.</b>  | <b>Joseph Moore Wait,</b>      |
| <b>Francis J. Clerc, A. B.</b>   | <b>Corneilus R. Duffie,</b>    |
| <b>Henry Edwards, A. B.</b>      | <b>G. N. Slack.</b>            |
| <b>Joseph Brewster, A. B.</b>    | <b>Total, 31.</b>              |

# LIST OF PARISHES

## OF THE

### PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, 1845.

#### HARTFORD COUNTY.

Hartford, { Christ Church,  
St. John's Church,  
St. James' Parish, (West Hartford.)

Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.

Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.

Granby, St. Peter's Church.

East Windsor, (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.

Southington, ——— Church.

Bristol, Trinity Church.

Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

Manchester, St. Mary's Parish.

#### WINDHAM COUNTY.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.

Pomfret, Christ Church.

Windham, St. Paul's Church.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Middletown, Christ Church.

Portland, Trinity Church.

Middle Haddam, Christ Church.

East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.

Saybrook, { Grace Church,  
St. John's Church, (Essex.)

North Killingworth, Union Church.

Haddam, Church of the Holy Trinity.

#### NEW LONDON COUNTY.

New London, St. James' Church.

Norwich, Christ Church.

Preston, (Poquetonnock,) St. James' Church.

Salem, Christ Church.

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

New Haven, { Trinity Church,  
St. Paul's Church,  
St. James' Church, (Westville,)  
St. Luke's Church, (African.)

Guilford, Christ Church.

North Guilford, St. John's Church.

Branford, Trinity Church.

North Branford, Christ Church.

East Haven, { Christ Church,  
St. James' Church, (Fair Haven.)



North Haven, St. John's Church.  
 Northford, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.  
 Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.  
 Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Hamden, Grace Church.  
 West Haven, Christ Church.  
 Milford, St. George's Church.  
 Derby, { St. James' Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Birmingham.)  
 Humphreysville, Union Church.  
 Oxford, { St. Peter's Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Quaker's Farms.)  
 Waterbury, St. John's Church.  
 Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Church.  
 Middlebury, ——— Church.  
 Bethany, Christ Church.  
 Wolcott, All Saints' Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Stratford, Christ Church.  
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.  
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.  
 Weston, ——— Church.  
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.  
 Stamford, St. John's Church.  
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.  
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.  
 Danbury, { St. James' Church,  
           { St. Thomas' Chapel, (Bethel.)  
 Reading, Christ Church.  
 Newtown, { Trinity Church,  
           { St. James' Church, (Zoar.)  
 Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.  
 Huntington, St. Paul's Church.  
 Monroe, St. Peter's Church.  
 Trumbull, Christ Church.  
 New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.  
 Greenwich, { Christ Church,  
               { Emmanuel Church, (Glenville.)  
 Westport, Christ Church.

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.  
 Bantam Falls, St. Paul's Church.  
 Milton, Trinity Church.  
 Northfield, Trinity Church.  
 New Milford, St. John's Church.  
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.  
 Sharon, Christ Church.  
 Kent, St. Andrew's Church.  
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Washington, St. John's Church.

Salisbury, St. John's Church.  
Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.  
Roxbury, Christ Church. .  
Watertown, Christ Church.  
North Canaan, Christ Church. -  
Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church,  
                  { St. Matthew's Church.  
Hitchcockville, Union Church.  
Harwinton, Christ Church.  
Wolcottville, Trinity Parish.

**TOLLAND COUNTY.**

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.  
Coventry, St. Clement's Parish.

# APPENDIX NO. II.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Dr. Diocese of Connecticut in account with WM. 'T. LEE, Treasurer. Cr.*

|                                                               |                                                                                      |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1844.                                                         | 1844.                                                                                |
| June 12. To Cash paid Stanley & Chapin's bill, \$1 50         | June 11 & 12. By Cash from sundry Parishes, as per Journal 1844, page 58, 59, 215 06 |
| " 26. Postages, 28                                            | By Cash from E. E. Beardsley, being balance on hand from last year, 26 21            |
| July 15. Cash paid Stanley & Chapin, printing Journal, 115 50 | 1845.                                                                                |
| " 31. Cash paid E. E. Beardsley's bill, Stationery, &c. 5 20  | June. Balance to new ac't. 3 21                                                      |
| Aug. 1. Cash paid assesment per General Convention, 75 00     |                                                                                      |
| Nov. 16. Cash paid additional assesment per do. 47 00         |                                                                                      |
| <u>\$244 48</u>                                               | <u>\$244 48</u>                                                                      |
| 1845.                                                         |                                                                                      |
| June. To bal. from old ac't. \$3 21                           |                                                                                      |
| E. E. Hartford, June 10th, 1844.                              |                                                                                      |
| WM. 'T. LEE, Treas.                                           |                                                                                      |

*The following Parishes have paid their Assessments to the Convention Fund for 1845, as required by Canon II.*

|                                |         |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,  | - - - - | \$4 87½ |
| Christ Church, Bethlem,        | - - - - | 3 37½   |
| Christ Church, Norwich,        | - - - - | 7 50    |
| St. James' Church, New London, | - - - - | 5 62½   |
| Trinity Church, Branford,      | - - - - | 3 00    |
| Trinity Church, Newtown,       | - - - - | 4 87½   |
| St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, | - - - - | 1 50    |
| Christ Church, East Haven,     | - - - - | 1 75    |
| St. Andrew's Church, Meriden,  | - - - - | 3 75    |
| Trinity Church, Portland,      | - - - - | 4 50    |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,  | - - - - | 3 37½   |

|                                    |   |   |   |                    |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------------|
| Christ Church, Middle Haddam,      | - | - | - | 2 25               |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,   | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| Christ Church, Middletown,         | - | - | - | 4 50               |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford, | - | - | - | 1 50               |
| Christ Church, Bethany,            | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| Christ Church, Guilford,           | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield,         | - | - | - | 4 50               |
| Christ Church, Greenwich,          | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| St. James' Church, Danbury,        | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| Trinity Church, Brooklyn,          | - | - | - | 2 25               |
| St. George's Church, Milford,      | - | - | - | 2 25               |
| Christ Church, Roxbury,            | - | - | - | 1 50               |
| Christ Church, West Haven,         | - | - | - | 1 25               |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,        | - | - | - | 4 50               |
| Trinity Church, New Haven,         | - | - | - | 15 00              |
| St. James' Church, Derby,          | - | - | - | 5 00               |
| Christ Church, Derby,              | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| Union Church, Humphreysville,      | - | - | - | 2 75               |
| St. Paul's Church, Huntington,     | - | - | - | 3 00               |
| St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,  | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| St. Peter's Church, Monroe,        | - | - | - | 2 00               |
| Christ Church, Trumbull,           | - | - | - | 3 00               |
| Grace Church, Saybrook,            | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| St. John's Church, Essex,          | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| St. James' Church, New Haven,      | - | - | - | 2 50               |
| St. Paul's Church, Woodbury,       | - | - | - | 3 00               |
| St. Matthew's Church, Wilton,      | - | - | - | 1 50               |
| St. Paul's Church, Windham,        | - | - | - | 3 00               |
| Christ Church, Westport,           | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury,      | - | - | - | 5 62 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,     | - | - | - | 2 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam, | - | - | - | 2 00               |
| Union Church, Killingworth,        | - | - | - | 50                 |
| Zion Church, North Branford,       | - | - | - | 50                 |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonnock,   | - | - | - | 1 00               |
| St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,    | - | - | - | 3 75               |
| St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,    | - | - | - | 2 25               |
| Union Church, Hitchcockville,      | - | - | - | 1 50               |
| Christ Church, Sharon,             | - | - | - | 2 44               |
| Trinity Church, Woodbridge,        | - | - | - | 1 25               |
| St. John's Church, Stamford,       | - | - | - | 4 50               |
| St. Mark's Church, New Britain,    | - | - | - | 1 50               |
| St. John's Church, North Haven,    | - | - | - | 1 87 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford,    | - | - | - | 1 87 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| All Saints' Church, Wolcott,       | - | - | - | 1 00               |
| St. Peter's Church, Hebron,        | - | - | - | 3 00               |
| St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,    | - | - | - | 3 00               |
| Trinity Church, Bristol,           | - | - | - | 2 00               |
| Grace Church, Hamden,              | - | - | - | 3 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport,     | - | - | - | 7 50               |
| Christ Church, Hartford,           | - | - | - | 9 00               |
| St. John's Church, Hartford,       | - | - | - | 7 50               |

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 \$216 00

*The following Parishes did not pay into the Convention Fund, for the current year.*

Bantam Falls,  
 Brooklyn,  
 Canaan,  
 East Plymouth,  
 Granby.  
 Harwinton,  
 Kent,  
 Litchfield,  
 Middlebury,

Milton,  
 Northfield,  
 New Preston,  
 New Milford,  
 Oxford, (St. Peter's)  
 Pomfret,  
 Quaker Farms,  
 Reading,  
 Salem,

Sharon,  
 Simsbury,  
 Southington,  
 Washington,  
 Windsor, (W. H. Point)  
 Westville, (N. Haven)  
 Weston,  
 Watertown.

# APPENDIX NO. III.

*Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, in account with WILLIAM T. LEE, Treasurer. DR.*

1844.

|          |                                                                                                                          |          |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| June 11. | To cash paid Rev. J. Purves, being special appropriation for Danbury,                                                    | \$156 32 |
| 12.      | Paid Rev. G. W. Fash, special, Canaan,                                                                                   | 43 94    |
|          | Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, for Woodbury,                                                                                      | 25 00    |
| July 6.  | Paid Rev. W. B. Corbyn, being special appropriation by Christ Church, Hartford, for W. Hartford, Windsor and Manchester, | 96 00    |
| Aug. 1.  | Rev. Wm. Warland, for services in Salisbury,                                                                             | 25 00    |
| 23.      | Paid H. S. Parsons, for tracts to be distributed in Colchester, by Mr. Gardner, per order of the Bishop,                 | 3 69     |
| Sept. 4. | Paid Rev. B. M. Yarrington special allowance for Glenville,                                                              | 10 00    |
| 26.      | Paid Rev. Wm. B. Corbyn, being on account of special allowance for W. Hartford, Windsor, and Manchester,                 | 40 00    |
| Oct. 4.  | Rev. G. W. Nichols, for East Haven,                                                                                      | 25 00    |
|          | " A. B. Chapin, for West Haven,                                                                                          | 25 00    |
|          | " F. E. White, for Milford,                                                                                              | 25 00    |
|          | " H. Townsend, for Westville,                                                                                            | 25 00    |
|          | " do. for Woodbridge,                                                                                                    | 12 50    |
| 5.       | " J. M. Guion, New Britain,                                                                                              | 25 00    |
| 7.       | " Jonathan Coe, Jr., for Bethlem,                                                                                        | 25 00    |
| 10.      | " D. Potter, for Poquetonnock,                                                                                           | 25 00    |
| 12.      | " Rev. D. H. Short, for Wilton,                                                                                          | 25 00    |
| 21.      | " Rev. S. Nash, for Middle Haddam,                                                                                       | 25 00    |
| 24.      | " Wm. Warland, for Salisbury,                                                                                            | 25 00    |
| 30.      | " W. G. French, for Wolcott,                                                                                             | 25 00    |
|          | " R. Park, for Pomsfret,                                                                                                 | 25 00    |
| Nov. 7.  | " B. M. Yarrington, for Glenville,                                                                                       | 35 00    |
|          | " Frederick Miller, for Branford,                                                                                        | 12 50    |
| 8.       | " G. W. Fash, for Canaan,                                                                                                | 75 00    |
| 27.      | " Wm. Atwill, for Weston,                                                                                                | 25 00    |
|          | " E. S. Ives, for Zoar,                                                                                                  | 15 00    |
| Dec. 2.  | " M. Moody, for Sharon,                                                                                                  | 25 00    |
| 1845.    |                                                                                                                          |          |
| Jan. 9.  | " Rev. D. Baldwin, North Branford,                                                                                       | 15 00    |
| Feb. 28. | " H. Zell, for Wolcottville, previous to Easter, 1844,                                                                   | 25 00    |
|          | Paid H. S. Parsons' bill, Prayer Books, and Sunday School books, delivered to J. S. Horton, in Aug. last,                | 5 00     |
| March 1. | Rev. W. B. Corbyn, on account of special allowance, for West Hartford, Windsor, and Manchester,                          | 100 00   |

(Amount carried up,)

\$1044 95

|           |                                                                                                                                          |           |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
|           | (Amount brought up,)                                                                                                                     | \$1044 95 |
| Mar. 18.  | Rev. A. B. Chapin, for West Haven,                                                                                                       | 25 00     |
| April 11. | " D. Potter, for Poquetonnock,                                                                                                           | 25 00     |
| May 1.    | " J. Coe, Jr., for Bethlem,                                                                                                              | 25 00     |
|           | Paid Postage,                                                                                                                            | 10        |
| June 9.   | Paid Rev. W. H. Frisbie, Hitchcockville, &c.                                                                                             | 41 50     |
|           | Paid Rev. Mr. Fash, Canaan,                                                                                                              | 38 00     |
| 10.       | Paid Rev. Mr. Corbyn, for Windsor, West Hartford,<br>and Manchester,                                                                     | 15 00     |
|           | By balance to new account,                                                                                                               | 1256 80   |
|           |                                                                                                                                          | <hr/>     |
|           |                                                                                                                                          | \$2471 35 |
| 1844.     |                                                                                                                                          | CR.       |
| July 13.  | By cash received from former Treasurer,                                                                                                  | \$606 16  |
|           | Total amount received at Convention in June, 1844,<br>and acknowledged in Journal pp. 64, 65,                                            | 489 39    |
| 31.       | Collection in Trinity Church, New Haven, after ser-<br>mon before the C. K. Society at Annual Conven-<br>tion,                           | 41 85     |
|           | Amount received from Ogden Missionary Fund, New<br>Haven, per hands of Dr. Croswell,                                                     | 120 00    |
| Aug. 1.   | By cash received from Rev. Mr. Moody,                                                                                                    | 6 00      |
| 3.        | By cash received from Mrs. Sarah Burr, Hartford,<br>\$20 to be appropriated for Missions, \$20 for Prayer<br>Books, and \$10 for Tracts, | 50 00     |
| Sept. 23. | By cash from Christ Church, Hartford, special appro-<br>priation for Windsor, West Hartford, and Man-<br>chester,                        | 69 36     |
| 28.       | By cash from Trinity Church, Fairfield, for Church at<br>Danbury,                                                                        | 12 50     |
| 13.       | By cash from St. John's Church, Hartford, for Wind-<br>sor, West Hartford, and Manchester,                                               | 36 75     |
| 19.       | By cash from All Saints' Church, Wolcott,                                                                                                | 2 19      |
| Nov. 7.   | By cash from Trinity Church, Branford, for Church<br>at Southbury,                                                                       | 8 36      |
| 9.        | By cash received for two dividends on two shares stock<br>in Phoenix Bank,                                                               | 14 00     |
| 1845.     |                                                                                                                                          |           |
| Jan. 30.  | By cash received from Christ Church, Watertown,<br>L. C. Missionary Association,                                                         | 30 00     |
|           | By cash received from St. Andrew's Church, North-<br>ford,                                                                               | 12 00     |
|           | By cash received from Christ Church, Bethlem, L.<br>C. Missionary Association,                                                           | 9 00      |
|           | By cash received from a friend, per hands of Dr. Hol-<br>comb,                                                                           | 2 00      |
| Feb. 14.  | By cash received from St. James' Church, Derby,                                                                                          | 20 49     |
| 15.       | By cash received from Christ Church, Hartford, for<br>Windsor, W. Hartford, and Manchester,                                              | 61 86     |
| March 4.  | By cash received from dividend on two shares Phoenix<br>bank stock,                                                                      | 7 00      |
|           |                                                                                                                                          | <hr/>     |
|           | (Amount carried over,)                                                                                                                   | \$1598 91 |

|          |                                                                                              |        |       |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|
|          | (Amount brought over,)                                                                       | \$1598 | 91    |
| Mar. 12. | By cash received from Trinity Church, Newtown, for Danbury,                                  | 20     | 00    |
|          | By cash received from Trinity Church, Fairfield, for Danbury,                                | 4      | 30    |
|          | By cash received from Trinity Church, Trumbull, for Danbury,                                 | 10     | 00    |
|          | By cash received from St. Paul's Church, Brookfield, for Danbury,                            | 5 75   | 40 65 |
| 16.      | By cash received from St. John's Church, Hartford, for Windsor, W. Hartford, and Manchester, | 32     | 87    |
| 24.      | By cash received from Ogden Missionary Fund, New Haven, per Dr. Croswell,                    | 120    | 00    |
| 29.      | By cash received from Christ Church, Stratford, for Danbury,                                 | 12     | 50    |
| May 29.  | By cash received from Rev. Dr. Jarvis, being part of permanent fund loaned Nov. 28th, 1843,  | 100    | 03    |
|          | By cash received for interest on the above,                                                  | 9      | 00    |
|          | By cash received from Christ Church, Hartford, for Windsor, W. Hartford, and Manchester,     | 63     | 50    |
| June 9.  | By cash received from St. John's Church, New Milford, Litchfield Co. Association,            | 38     | 00    |
|          | By cash received from St. Paul's Church, Woodbury, do.                                       | 11     | 50    |
|          | By cash received from Christ Church, Bethlem, do.                                            | 8      | 00    |
|          | By cash received from St. John's Church, Washington, do.                                     | 8      | 00    |
|          | By cash received from Christ Church, Roxbury, do.                                            | 10     | 00    |
|          | By cash received from Union Church, Hitchcockville, do.                                      | 4      | 00    |
| 10.      | By cash received for West Hartford, Windsor, &c.                                             | 26     | 00    |
|          | By cash received from Dr. Jarvis, being amount of Miss Sherman's legacy.                     | 367    | 00    |
|          | By cash received for interest on Miss Sherman's legacy,                                      | 22     | 02    |
|          |                                                                                              | <hr/>  |       |
|          |                                                                                              | \$2471 | 35    |
| 1845.    |                                                                                              |        |       |
| June 10. | By balance from old account,                                                                 | \$1256 | 80    |
|          | Amount due Permanent Fund,                                                                   | 467    | 00    |
|          | Special appropriations for St. James' Church, Danbury,                                       | 65     | 05    |
|          | do. do. for Windsor, West Hartford, and Manchester,                                          | 120    | 99    |
|          | do. do. for Southbury,                                                                       | 8      | 36    |
|          | do. do. for Prayer Books and Tracts,                                                         | 21     | 31    |
|          | Amount of Easter appropriation remaining unpaid, about                                       | 400    | 00    |
|          |                                                                                              | <hr/>  |       |
|          |                                                                                              | 1082   | 71    |
|          |                                                                                              | <hr/>  |       |
|          |                                                                                              | \$174  | 09    |

Leaving the amount of an unappropriated balance of one hundred and seventy four dollars and nine cents.

Hartford, June 10th, 1845.

WILLIAM T. LEE, *Treasurer.*



*Contributions to the Christian Knowledge Society, June 10th and 11th,  
1845.*

|                                                 |                |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Trinity Church, Northfield,                     | \$12 00        |
| St. Paul's Church, Woodbury,                    | 12 20          |
| Christ Church, Norwich,                         | 30 00          |
| Trinity Church, Woodbridge,                     | 5 00           |
| St. James' Church, Westville, New Haven,        | 5 00           |
| Trinity Church, Portland,                       | 20 00          |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,                   | 4 12           |
| Christ Church, Guilford,                        | 5 00           |
| St. James' Church, Danbury,                     | 8 75           |
| Christ Church, Middle Haddam,                   | 8 00           |
| Union Church, Humphreysville,                   | 7 00           |
| St. Paul's Church, Huntington,                  | 2 00           |
| Trinity Church, Branford,                       | 8 64           |
| St. James' Church, New London,                  | 39 77          |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury,                   | 40 00          |
| St. George's Church, Milford,                   | 1 50           |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,                     | 5 00           |
| Zion Church, North Branford,                    | 3 50           |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford,              | 3 00           |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,                  | 5 13           |
| A Lady of St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,        | 5 00           |
| St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam,              | 5 00           |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonnock,                | 2 00           |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield,                      | 8 50           |
| All Saints' Church, Wolcott,                    | 1 48           |
| St. John's Church, North Haven,                 | 3 00           |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford,                 | 3 00           |
| Christ Church, Stratford, by Dr. Croswell,      | 15 50          |
| Grace Church, Hamden,                           | 5 67           |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport,                  | 15 00          |
| Christ Church, East Haven,                      | 4 00           |
| St. John's Church, Stamford, for St. James'     |                |
| Church, Danbury,                                | 41 83          |
| Christ Church, Greenwich, do.                   | 10 04          |
| St. Matthew's Church, Wilton, do.               | 6 00           |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, do.                 | 50 00          |
| Christ Church, Reading, do.                     | 5 00           |
| Christ Church, Westport, do.                    | 10 00—122 87   |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck, for Southbury, | 7 00           |
| St. James' Church, Derby, do.                   | 8 00           |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury, do.               | 20 00—35 00    |
| St. John's Church do. for Wolcott,              | 20 00          |
| St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater, for Litchfield  |                |
| Co. Missionary Association,                     | 6 75           |
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, for do.           | 50 00—56 75    |
|                                                 | <hr/> \$528 38 |

# APPENDIX NO. IV.

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## CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

HARTFORD, June 11th, 1845.

The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting at St. John's Church.

The Report of the Board of Education was read and accepted.

The Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year, the Rev. Geo. Burgess, former Secretary, having declined a reappointment to that office.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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### REPORT.

As the annual Report of the Board of Education, the following brief statement and remarks are respectfully submitted:

The present number of beneficiaries is eleven. Four completed their collegiate course, at the last Commencement of the College. Seven have been since admitted; but of these, one has left the institution to pursue a shorter course, and one has been dropped from the list of beneficiaries.

The funds of the Society have been sustained, by the contributions of several parishes, and by considerable repayments. It is impossible to notice, without constant gratification, the results of that judicious decision which was adopted by the founders of this Society. They determined that it should not be a charity, in that sense which might have deterred many from availing themselves of its benefits. It was not to give, but to lend: just as a near friend or relative may advance for a time, the aid which he could not easily and wisely bestow without the prospect of a return. The young scholar, now without pecuniary ability, is sensible of a debt, but not of such a debt as could in any manner seem humiliating or oppressive. He receives the supply and looks forward, with the independent feeling which belongs to our people, to the time when he may be able, with less self-denial, to give it back, not indeed to an individual friend, but to the Church or its agents. It is found that, in a large proportion of instances, the power of making this repayment is attained; and it is believed

But the desire to make it is seldom wanting. A contribution comparatively small, from year to year, supplies the deficiency in the treasury; while the repayments renew perpetually the capital and the advantage.

Complaints have sometimes been made, that gratuitous assistance to a large amount had been known to endanger the singleness of the religious character. No such consequences will be charged on the plan of this Society. It creates no painful obligation; it extends no temptation to indolence; it affords no opportunity for extravagance; it cherishes no habit of servility. In contemplating the whole subject of that aid which, in one form or another, it has been always esteemed desirable to bestow, for the education of suitable persons for the ministry, no other arrangement appears to have been so happy in its operation, as this of loans on easy terms from those who will not exact repayment, where providential hindrances are interposed. If some other form than that of a promissory note could be adopted, an obvious objection would be removed; but there seems to be no substitute.

The recent additions to the funds of Trinity College confer upon this Society an increased importance. It is evident that the College has a strong hold on the affections of our communion in this diocese; and not less evident that it must be the great literary institution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New England. If it shall be such, it must be the school at which increasing numbers of the Clergy must receive their academical education; and so long as many of these shall require assistance beyond that which the College scholarships now established shall afford, the sphere occupied by the Church Scholarship Society must remain; and the plan of this Society will probably be found the least objectionable and the most useful.

GEORGE BURGESS, Secretary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Church Scholarship Society in Account Current with* JAMES M. GOODWIN,  
*Treasurer.* *DR.*

|               |     |                                                                    |           |
|---------------|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1844.         |     |                                                                    |           |
| June 10.      | To  | Cash for loans to Beneficiaries from this date to<br>June 1, 1845, | \$935 00  |
| " 26.         | do. | paid Rev. S. Totten, borrowed of him October<br>10, 1843,          | 150 00    |
|               | do. | paid Interest to do. on do,                                        | 6 38      |
| Nov. 15.      | do. | do. Postage,                                                       | 06        |
| 1845. June 8. |     | Cash on hand to new account,                                       | 39 03     |
|               |     |                                                                    | <hr/>     |
|               |     |                                                                    | \$1130 47 |

|         |     |                        |                               |            |
|---------|-----|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1844.   |     |                        |                               | <i>CR.</i> |
| June 4. | By  | Cash on hand,          |                               | \$146 52   |
|         | do. | donation from          | St. James' Church, N. London, | 35 00      |
|         | do. | do.                    | St. John's Church, Waterbury, | 60 00      |
|         | do. | do.                    | Mrs. Peck, Brookfield,        | 5 00       |
| Aug. 1. | do. | do.                    | Trinity Church, New Haven,    | 30 00      |
|         |     |                        |                               | <hr/>      |
|         |     | (Amount carried over.) |                               | \$276 52   |

| (Amount brought over.) |          |                                              |  | \$276  | 5  |
|------------------------|----------|----------------------------------------------|--|--------|----|
| Aug. 19.               | By Cash, | donation from St. John's Church, Hartford,   |  | 30     | 46 |
| 30.                    | do.      | do. Christ Church, & do.                     |  | 49     | 75 |
| Sept. 9.               | do.      | do. anonymous, by Rev. N. S. Wheaton,        |  | 50     | 00 |
| 23.                    | do.      | do. Ladies' Education and Benevolent         |  |        |    |
|                        |          | Society, St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,       |  | 34     | 57 |
| Oct. 8.                | do.      | of John Kelley, repaid,                      |  | 25     | 00 |
| Nov. 15.               | do.      | of Rev. Jno. T. Cushing, do. in full,        |  | 160    | 00 |
|                        | do.      | Interest collected of do.                    |  | 40     | 00 |
| Dec. 2.                | do.      | of Rev. Martin Moody, repaid,                |  | 25     | 00 |
|                        | do.      | of John Kelley, do.                          |  | 25     | 00 |
| 1845.                  |          |                                              |  |        |    |
| Jan'y.                 | do.      | donation from St. James' Church, N. London,  |  | 25     | 00 |
| 14.                    | do.      | do. Christ Church, Hartford,                 |  | 60     | 17 |
| 19.                    | do.      | do. St. John's Church, Waterbury,            |  | 100    | 00 |
| Mar. 26.               | do.      | do. Christ Church, Hartford,                 |  | 50     | 00 |
| April 5.               | do.      | of John Kelley, repaid,                      |  | 30     | 00 |
| 9.                     | do.      | donation from St. James' Church, New London, |  | 30     | 00 |
| May 1.                 | do.      | of John Kelley, repaid,                      |  | 25     | 00 |
| 7.                     | do.      | of Rev. Martin Moody, do.                    |  | 75     | 00 |
| 8.                     | do.      | donation from Christ Church, Watertown,      |  | 19     | 00 |
| Errors excepted.       |          |                                              |  | \$1130 | 47 |

J. M. GOODWIN, Treasurer.

Hartford, June 8th, 1845.

We have examined the above account and find it correct.

 SILAS TOTTEN, }  
 S. TUDOR, } *Auditors.*

|         |                                                 |  |  |      |    |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------|--|--|------|----|
| 1845.   |                                                 |  |  |      |    |
| June 8. | By Cash on hand,                                |  |  | \$39 | 03 |
| 10.     | By Cash received from St. James' Church, Derby, |  |  | 7    | 60 |
| 11.     | do. do. do. Trinity Church, Fairfield,          |  |  | 7    | 00 |
|         | do. do. do. ———, Naugatuck,                     |  |  | 3    | 00 |
| 12.     | do. do. do. St. James' Church, N. London,       |  |  | 25   | 00 |

## SYNOPSIS OF THE ABOVE ACCOUNT.

|                          | DR.       |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Loans to Beneficiaries,  | \$935 00  |
| Paid money borrowed,     | 150 00    |
| do. Interest on do.      | 6 38      |
| Expenses, postage,       | 06        |
| Cash on hand,            | 39 3      |
|                          | <hr/>     |
|                          | \$1130 47 |
|                          | CR.       |
| Cash on hand,            | \$146 52  |
| Donations,               | 578 95    |
| Repaid by Beneficiaries, | 385 00    |
| Interest of do.          | 40 00     |
|                          | <hr/>     |

# APPENDIX NO. V.

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## CONSTITUTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

As Amended in Convention, October, 1836, and June, 1840.

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**ARTICLE 1.** The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ART. 2.** There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

**ART. 3.** Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

**ART 4.** The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

**ART. 5.** The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee, or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

**ART. 6.** The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in union with this Convention; ministers employed as missionaries under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this Diocese, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority; and ministers whose age and infirmities prevent from exercising the clerical functions; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese which

shall have been received into union with the Convention, shall be entitled to representation in Convention, by one delegate; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or Instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as agreeably to their own rules, or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Convention shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

ART. 11. A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

ART. 12. When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention, within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

ART. 13. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner:—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay

Delegates; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice; provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present; otherwise, two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

**ART. 14.** Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

**ART. 15.** No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

**ART. 16.** This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the Journals of the Convention.

# APPENDIX NO. VI.

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## CANONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

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### CANON I.—*Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports.* (Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages and funerals solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

### CANON II.—*Providing for the Convention Fund.* (1838.)

The several Parishes in this Diocese shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen as their annual salary.



**CANON III.—***Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial. (1825.)*

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitution and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

**CANON IV.—***Of the Manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial. (1825.)*

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut :*

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H. of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided.

[Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate for the time being : five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the Court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case ; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defence on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit ; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted ; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial ; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty* or *not guilty*, according to the evidence ; and if guilty, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a

copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court, and an attested copy of this record, shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision: or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure as the case may, in his opinion require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

**CANON V.—***Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them. (1826.)*

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergymen may be tried under the Canon of 1826, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

**CANON VI.—***Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee. (1826.)*

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

**CANON VII.—***Concerning Parochial Collections. (1839.)*

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

**CANON VIII.—***For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures. (1828.)*

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State, which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of

the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

**CANON IX.—*Concerning Annual Parish Meetings.* (1830.)**

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting: which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

**CANON X. (1838.)**

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence to the Bishop.

**CANON XI.—*Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention.* (1839.)**

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitution and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

**CANON XII.—*Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen.* (1830.)**

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

## SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

|                                                         |   |   |   |   |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-------------|
| Families in 80 Parishes,*                               | - | - | - | - | 6106        |
| Baptisms:                                               |   |   |   |   |             |
| do. Infants, in 71 Parishes,                            | - | - | - | - | 793         |
| do. Adults, in 41 do.                                   | - | - | - | - | 147         |
| Total,                                                  | - | - | - | - | 940         |
| Confirmed in 37 Parishes,                               | - | - | - | - | 465         |
| Communicants:                                           |   |   |   |   |             |
| do. added by removal, in 34 Parishes,                   | - | - | - | - | 112         |
| do. do. anew, in 51 Parishes,                           | - | - | - | - | 428         |
| do. lost by removal, in 39 Parishes,                    | - | - | - | - | 87          |
| do. do. death, in 42 Parishes,                          | - | - | - | - | 110         |
| do. whole number in 78 Parishes,*                       | - | - | - | - | 7649        |
| Marriages,                                              | - | - | - | - | 262         |
| Burials,                                                | - | - | - | - | 478         |
| Sunday School:                                          |   |   |   |   |             |
| do. Teachers,                                           | - | - | - | - | 589         |
| do. Scholars,                                           | - | - | - | - | 3003        |
| Missionary and Charitable Contributions in 52 Parishes, |   |   |   |   |             |
| for objects <i>without</i> the same,                    |   |   |   |   | \$13,948 43 |

## FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The above *Summary* is made out in the form prescribed by the *Canons* of the Church, and every Clergyman should follow *this form* in making his report.

## FORM OF CERTIFICATE

## OF THE APPOINTMENT OF LAY DELEGATE.

This certifies that at a meeting of the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ Church, \_\_\_\_\_, duly held on \_\_\_\_\_, A. B. was appointed as Lay Delegate from said Parish, to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, to be held at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.

Attest,

} Wardens.

Or,

\_\_\_\_\_, Parish Clerk.

[Place of date.]

\*In this case, where there is no Report this year, the latest previous Report has been followed.

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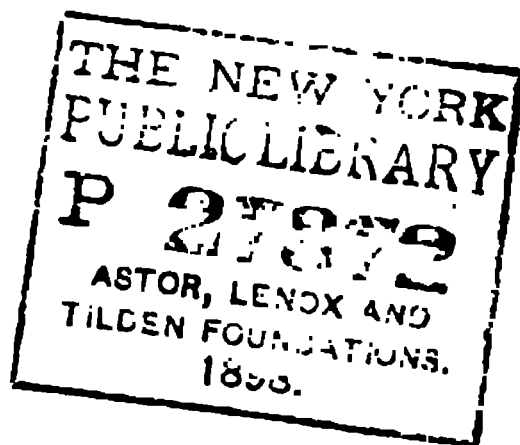
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TRINITY CHURCH, NEW HAVEN,  
June 9th, 1846.

The Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut having been appointed to meet at this place and on this day, Divine Service was commenced at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. WM. C. MEAD, D. D., assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. GEORGE BURGESS; and the Sermon preached by the Rev. S. F. JARVIS, D. D., LL. D. The Service of the Holy Communion was read by the Rt. Rev. T. C. BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D., who also, with Drs. JARVIS and MEAD, and the Rev. Mr. BURGESS, administered the elements to the Clergy and Laity assembled.

THE BISHOP then took his seat as President of the Convention.

The Secretary called a List of the Clergy entitled to seats, when the following gentlemen were found to be present :

RT. REV. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.,

Rev. William B. Ashley,

“ William Atwill,

“ David Baldwin,

“ E. Edwards Beardsley,

“ Lorenzo T. Bennett,

“ Wm. White Bronson,

“ Hilliard Bryant,

“ Edward C. Bull,

“ George Burgess,

“ Daniel Burhans, D. D.,

Rev. Riverius Camp,  
" Alonzo B. Chapin,  
" Jacob L. Clark,  
" Jonathan Coe, 2nd.,  
" Gurdon S. Coit,  
" Samuel Cooke,  
" Nathaniel E. Cornwall,  
" William B. Corbyn,  
" Joseph S. Covell,  
" A. Cleveland Coxe,  
" Harry Crosswell, D. D.,  
" Giles H. Deshon,  
" Samuel M. Emery,  
" Charles W. Everest,  
" William Everett,  
" Henry Fitch,  
" George L. Foote,  
" William H. Frisbie,  
" Frederick J. Goodwin,  
" George S. Gordon,  
" Henry V. Gardner,  
" Thomas T. Guion,  
" Robert A. Hallam,  
" Solomon G. Hitchcock,  
" Frederick Holcomb, D. D.,  
" Oliver Hopson,  
" Enoch Huntington,  
" Abner Jackson,  
" S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D., LL. D.,  
" William Jarvis,  
" Stephen Jewett,  
" Isaac Jones,  
" James McKay,  
" Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D.,  
" Frederick Miller, Jun.,  
" William F. Morgan,  
" Cyrus Munson,

Rev. Henry D. Noble,  
 “ Joseph H. Nichols,  
 “ George W. Nichols,  
 “ Abel Ogden,  
 “ Henry Olmstead, Jun.,  
 “ Seth B. Paddock,  
 “ William Payne,  
 “ Dexter Potter,  
 “ John Purves,  
 “ Nathaniel S. Richardson,  
 “ Rodney Rossiter,  
 “ Joseph Scott,  
 “ David H. Short,  
 “ John D. Smith,  
 “ S. Stebbins Stocking,  
 “ Ambrose S. Todd, D. D.,  
 “ David G. Tomlinson,  
 “ William Watson,  
 “ John M. Willey,  
 “ Frederick B. Woodward,  
 “ Benjamin M. Yarrington,  
 “ Henry Zell,  
 “ Joseph M. Wait,  
 “ William E. Vibbert.

There being the Constitutional quorum of the Clerical Order,  
 the Chair proceeded to appoint the Rev. Messrs. BEARDSLEY,  
 JEWETT, and HUNTINGTON, a Committee to receive and examine  
 the Certificates of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then  
 adjourned to meet at the same place at 3 o'clock, P. M.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. After the names of the Clergy  
 were called, the Committee appointed to receive and examine the  
 Certificates of the Lay Delegates, reported that the following  
 gentlemen had been elected to represent their respective Parishes  
 in the Convention :

## HARTFORD COUNTY.

*St. John's Church, Hartford.*—Wm. T. Lee and Francis J. Huntington.

*St. Mark's Church, New Britain.*—Jonah H. Todd.

*St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.*—Daniel H. Stevens and Henry S. Wells.

*St. Mary's Church, Manchester.*—Henry C. Woodbridge.

*Trinity Church, Bristol.*—Jeremiah Stever.

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, Brooklyn.*—Henry A. Dyer.

*St. Paul's Church, Windham.*—Solomon R. Fuller\* and Giles Taintor.\*

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Middletown.*—Lot D. Vansands and Charles H. Pelton.

*Trinity Church, Portland.*—Daniel Russell and Geo. O. Jarvis.

*Grace Church, Saybrook.*—George H. Chalker.

*St. John's Church, Essex.*—Hon. Samuel Ingham.

## NEW LONDON COUNTY.

*St. James' Church, New London.*—E. V. Stoddard and Hon. Noyes Billings.

*St. James' Church, Preston, (Poquetonnock.)*—Seabury Thomas.

## NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, New Haven.*—Nathaniel R. Clarke and Nathaniel Booth.

*St. Paul's Church, New Haven.*—Wm. M. Smith and Wm. Wadsworth.

*St. James' Church, (Westville,) New Haven.*—Elizur M. Hotchkiss.

*Christ Church, Guilford.*—Chas. Elliott and John M. Bartlett.

*Trinity Church, Branford.*—Eli F. Rogers and Albert Linsley.

*Christ Church, North Branford.*—Chauncey Linsley.

*Christ Church, East Haven.*—John Bishop.

*St. James' Church, Fair Haven.*—Samuel M. Brown.\*

*St. John's Church, North Haven.*—Everlin Blakesley.

*St. Andrew's Church, Northford.*—Thelus Todd.

*St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.*—John Cooke and Julius Williams.

*St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.*—Lloyd Moss and John Barnes.

*St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.*—Wm. Merriam and Enos H. Curtiss.

*Grace Church, Hamden.*—Jared Bassett.

*St. George's Church, Milford.*—Dr. Andrew French.

*St. James' Church, (Birmingham,) Derby.*—Dr. Ambrose Beardsley and Richard M. Johnson.

*Christ Church, Derby.*—Moses White and Edward B. Crafts.

*Union Church, Humphreysville.*—Josiah Nettleton and Clark Miles.

*Christ Church, (Quaker's Farms,) Oxford.*—Charles A. Tomlinson and Horace Oatman.

*St. John's Church, Waterbury.*—Anson Sperry and J. M. L. Scovill.

*St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.*—Josiah Culver and J. B. Woodruff.

*Christ Church, Bethany.*—John Russell and Seymour Tuttle.

#### FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Stratford.*—Elbert Wells and Edward Johnson.

*St. John's Church, Bridgeport.*—Henry K. Harral and Alexander Hamilton.

*Trinity Church, Fairfield.*—Henry Sturges and David Banks.

*St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.*—Chas. Isaacs and Jonathan R. Peck.

*St. John's Church, Stamford.*—John Ferguson and Wm. T. Miner.

*St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.*—Chauncey Olmstead and Timothy Jones.

*St. James' Church, Danbury.*—Platt Benedict and Hon. Reuben Booth.

*St. James' Church, (Zoar,) Newtown.*—Samuel W. Trowbridge.

*Trinity Church, Newtown.*—Wm. B. Prindle.

*St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.*—Elias Camp and David S. Dibble.

*St. Paul's Church, Huntington.*—Agar Wheeler and Joel Shelton.

*St. Peter's Church, Monroe.*—James W. Beardsley.

*Christ Church, Trumbull.*—Samuel Mallet and L. W. Clarke.

*St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.*—S. E. Ogden.

*Christ Church, Greenwich.*—Samuel G. Cornell and Drake Mead.

*Christ Church, Westport.*—Dennis Nash and Geo. S. Adams.

#### LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

*St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.*—Hon. S. P. Beers and Hon. Samuel Church.\*

*Trinity Church, Northfield.*—S. B. Woodward.

*St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.*—Horace Judson.

*St. Andrew's Church, Kent.*—Edwards Johnson.

*St. Andrew's Church, New Preston.*—Edward Hunt.

*St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.*—Phineas S. Bradley and Chas. Betts.

*St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.*—Elijah Warner and Dr. Samuel T. Salisbury.

*St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.*—Charles W. Todd.

*Christ Church, Harwinton.*—Enos Bunnell.

*Trinity Parish, Wolcottville.*—Jas. R. Coe and B. H. Morse.

*Christ Church, Roxbury.*—Albert L. Hodge and Lacey Higgins.

*Christ Church, Watertown.*—Aner Bradley and Chester Hard.

*Christ Church, Bethlem.*—Henry W. Peck.

#### TOLLAND COUNTY.

*St. Peter's Church, Hebron.*—Lorin Carpenter and Frederick P. Bissell.

The Committee also stated that they had before them a certificate from Christ Church, Hartford, signed by the Rector, which was not in the Constitutional form.

Also that they had received certificates from two sections, apparently of the same Parish, in the towns of Weston and Easton, signed in due form, by different Parish Clerks; but as the num-

\* Not present.

ber of families would allow but one Delegate a seat, and both were present, they referred the matter to the decision of the Convention.

The Report was accepted, and, a quorum of the Lay Delegates having answered to their names, the President declared the Convention to be duly organized.

On motion, Hon. Isaac Toucey and Samuel H. Huntington were admitted to seats as Lay Delegates from Christ Church, Hartford.

The Certificates from the Parish in Weston and Easton were referred to a Special Committee, consisting of the Rev. Dr. MEAD, the Rev. Mr. CORNWALL, and S. G. CORNELL.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary. Before the ballot was taken, the Rev. Mr. Beardsley stated that, having served the Convention in that office seven years, he must respectfully decline a re-election.

The Rev. WM. PAYNE was elected Secretary.

DANIEL RUSSELL, Esq. was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Convention adopted the following

### RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.
6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.
7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall

hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

13. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz :

A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

do. on the Constitution and Canons.

do. on Unfinished Business.

do. on Finance.

The Standing Committees, required by the 13th Rule of Order, were then announced, as follows :

*Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.*—Rev. Dr. CROSWELL, Rev. S. S. STOCKING, Rev. R. A. HALLAM, J. M. L. SCOVILL, S. G. CORNELL.

*Committee on Constitution and Canons.*—Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Rev. Dr. TODD, Rev. Dr. HOLCOMB, S. H. HUNTINGTON, MOSES WHITE.

*Committee on Unfinished Business.*—Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY, Rev. A. C. COXE, Rev. J. L. CLARK, E. V. STODDARD, EDWARD HUNT.

*Committee on Finance.*—Rev. GEORGE BURGESS, Rev. T. T. GUION, Rev. WM. WATSON, WM. T. LEE, WM. M. SMITH.

The Rev. WM. WATSON was appointed to receive the Assessments on the Parishes for making up the deficiencies of the Bishop's Fund, the Rev. E. Huntington having declined a re-appointment to that office.



The Convention then listened to the reading of  
**THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.**

**MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND OF THE LAITY—**

The course of time has brought us to another Annual Meeting of our Diocesan Convention. The occasion is well calculated to remind us of our obligations of gratitude to God, and of our duties to his Church. In addition to the temporal and spiritual mercies which have been bestowed upon us, as individuals, we have great reason to be thankful for the peace and prosperity which have been vouchsafed to the Church within our borders. Through the good providence of God, we have been but little excited by the agitations which have prevailed around us, and have witnessed but few leanings towards the extreme opinions and novel usages which have aroused those agitations. I trust that the principles of sound Churchmanship, which we have derived from our predecessors, will prevent us from being led astray by any plausible sophistries, or by any allurements presented to romantic, superstitious, or imaginative tempers. The extravagances, and defections which have disturbed the peace of the Church, may generally be traced to men of inconstant minds, who vibrate between one extreme and another; and will seldom be found to have originated with those who have long walked in the "old paths," and who have been "settled and grounded in the truth." As I have no sympathy with those *extreme opinions* to which I have alluded, so I do not participate in that *panic* which they have excited in the minds of many worthy members of our Church. There is little to be feared from free discussion at any time; and even when controversy is unnecessary and unwise, it generally results in the development and establishment of the truth.

I might avail myself of this opportunity to enter largely into those discussions which now interest and distract the Church, and I could have much to say by way of cautionary admonition; but I deem the task unnecessary. I will rather refer you to what I have said in former Addresses to the Convention. And I the more readily content myself with this course, because I have seen no reason to change any of the opinions I have advanced. I will only urge upon you the duty of moderation and candour,

and warn you of the danger of encouraging an uncharitable and unchristian temper. We have had enough of controversy. The Church needs repose. For ourselves, Brethren, we can find occupation enough in the cultivation of a more fervent personal piety, and in labouring more zealously for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. Let us meditate more on our own unworthiness, and on the unbounded mercy and goodness of God. Let us be more meek, more humble, more devout. Let us warm our hearts more thoroughly with love and gratitude to our Heavenly Father, to Christ our Redeemer, and to the Holy Ghost the Sanctifier. Let us exercise ourselves in offices of love and charity towards our fellow-men. Let us devote our services, our wealth and our prayers, to the cause of our beloved Church; to the support of her institutions within our own Diocese; to the extension of her ministries of love among our Western brethren, and to the diffusion of her light and truth among the benighted heathen.

By steadily pursuing this course, we shall more effectually serve the cause of our Divine Master than by engaging in party strifes among ourselves, or in unnecessary controversies with others. And amidst all the contentions of the times, let us steadfastly adhere to the true "*Via Media*" of the Church;—the middle ground between the errors and superstitions of Romanism on the one hand, and the still more fatal errors of Rationalism and Infidelity on the other.

With these brief remarks, I proceed to the discharge of my canonical duty by laying before you an account of my official labours for the past year.

Since the last Annual Convention, I have administered the Holy Rite of Confirmation in the following Parishes, viz :

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| July 15th, in Hebron,   | 9 persons. |
| “ 16th, “ Windham,      | 10 “       |
| “ 17th, “ Brooklyn,     | 9 “        |
| “ 18th, “ Pomfret,      | 6 “        |
| “ 20th, “ Norwich,      | 20 “       |
| “ “ “ Poquetonnock,     | 5 “        |
| “ 22d, “ New London,    | 5 “        |
| Sept. 16th, “ Simsbury, | 5 “        |

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| Sept. 30th, in Bristol,                      | 10 persons. |
| Oct. 1st, " Bethlem,                         | 7 "         |
| " 2d, " Woodbury,                            | 19 "        |
| " 3d, " Bridgewater,                         | 18 "        |
| " 5th, " New Milford,                        | 8 "         |
| " " " New Preston,                           | 3 "         |
| " 7th, " Kent,                               | 2 "         |
| " " " Sharon,                                | 1 "         |
| " 8th, " Salisbury,                          | 3 "         |
| " 9th, " Hitchcocksville,                    | 3 "         |
| " 21st, " Oxford,                            | 2 "         |
| " 22d, " Quaker's Farms,                     | 4 "         |
| " 23d, " Trumbull,                           | 9 "         |
| " 25th, " Bethel,                            | 7 "         |
| " 26th, " Ridgefield,                        | 5 "         |
| " " " Wilton,                                | 10 "        |
| " 27th, " New Canaan,                        | 12 "        |
| " 28th, " Weston,                            | 3 "         |
| Nov. 9th, " Warehouse Point,                 | 2 "         |
| " 11th, " New Haven, (Trinity Church)        | 15 "        |
| " 12th, " Fair Haven,                        | 7 "         |
| " 13th, " West Haven,                        | 5 "         |
| April 12th, 1846, in Plymouth, (St. Peter's) | 17 "        |
| " 13th, in Northfield,                       | 8 "         |
| " 14th, " Litchfield,                        | 13 "        |
| " 15th, " Milton,                            | 5 "         |
| " " " Bantam Falls,                          | 11 "        |
| " 16th, " Wolcottville,                      | 4 "         |
| " 17th, " East Plymouth,                     | 2 "         |
| " 22d, " Coventry,                           | 4 "         |
| " 26th, " Middletown,                        | 23 "        |
| " " " Portland,                              | 8 "         |
| May 31st " Hartford, (Christ Church)         | 19 "        |
| " " " Hartford, (St. John's)                 | 38 "        |
| June 7th, " Waterbury,                       | 28 "        |
| " " " Naugatuck,                             | 1 "         |

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On the 29th day of June last, in Christ Church, Hartford, I admitted the following persons to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz.: James S. Bowden, Alfred B. Beach, James Stephenson, Baylies P. Talbot, Joseph Moore Wait, Cornelius R. Duffie, G. N. Slack, George Jarvis Geer, William Henry Clark, and Abel Ogden, Jr.—all being graduates of the General Theological Seminary.

On Friday, the 8th of August, in St. John's Church, Hartford, I admitted James McKay, A. B.; Henry Floy Roberts; David P. Sanford, A. B.; and Henry V. Gardner, A. B.; to the Holy Order of Deacons.

On the 11th of October last, in St. John's Church, Hartford, I admitted the Rev. Fletcher J. Hawley to the Holy Order of Priests, at the request of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York.

On Monday, the 27th of October, in St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, I admitted the Rev. William Everett, to the Holy Order of Priests; and George W. Houghton, Milo Mahan, and Robert S. Howland, to the Holy Order of Deacons; all at the request of the Standing Committee of the above named Diocese.

On Wednesday, the 12th day of November, in St. James' Church, Fair Haven, I admitted the Rev. William E. Vibbert, and the Rev. Charles Hall, to the Holy Order of Priests; and (at the request of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York) James W. Coe to the Holy Order of Deacons.

On the 21st day of December last, in Christ Church, Hartford, I admitted the Rev. Charles Richmond Fisher, A. B. to the Holy Order of Deacons.

And on the 19th day of January, I admitted the Rev. Eli Worthington Stokes, (a man of color) to the Holy Order of the Priesthood.

On the 14th day of January, I Instituted the Rev. Samuel Cooke, as Rector of St. Paul's Church, New Haven.

The following Clergymen have been transferred by dimissory letter to other Dioceses, viz.: the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, and the Rev. Charles R. Fisher to the Diocese of Massachusetts;—the Rev. James Stephenson to the Diocese of Vermont;—

the Rev. B. P. Talbot, and the Rev. Eli W. Stokes to the Diocese of Rhode Island;—the Rev. Samuel Hawksley, the Rev. Henry Townsend, the Rev. George J. Geer, the Rev. William G. French, the Rev. George N. Slack, the Rev. Charles H. Hall, the Rev. J. J. Bowden, the Rev. Sylvester Nash and the Rev. Henry Floy Roberts to the Diocese of New York;—the Rev. George W. Fash to the Diocese of New Jersey;—the Rev. William Henry Clarke to the Diocese of Maryland, and the Rev. Horace Hills to the Diocese of Michigan. Several of the Clergy thus transferred had been recently received into this Diocese for the purpose of Ordination.

The following Clergymen have been received by dismissory letter from other Dioceses, viz.—the Rev. Dr. Fuller, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, from the Diocese of Ohio;—the Rev. William Everett, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Bethel, from the Diocese of New York;—the Rev. Samuel Cooke, Rector of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, from the Diocese of Western New York;—the Rev. Henry H. Bates, Rector of Christ Church, Warehouse Point, from the Diocese of Massachusetts;—the Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown, from the Diocese of New York.

Of the persons admitted to the Diaconate within the past year, the Rev. Abel Ogden is officiating in the Parish of Windham;—the Rev. James McKay in the Parish of Westville;—the Rev. David P. Sanford in the Parish of Woodbury;—the Rev. Henry V. Gardner in the Parishes of Harwinton and East Plymouth;—the Rev. Joseph M. Wait in the Parish of Poquetonnock. The Rev. Alfred B. Beach, and the Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie, are officiating in the Diocese of New York.

Some changes have taken place among the resident Clergy of the Diocese. The Rev. Joseph S. Covell has removed to the Parish of Essexborough;—the Rev. John M. Guion has resigned the Rectorship of St. Mark's Church, New Britain;—the Rev. Dr. Holcomb has relinquished the charge of the Church in Northfield, and accepted the Rectorship of Christ Church, Watertown;—the Rev. John Morgan has resigned the charge of Christ Church, Stratford, and has been succeeded in the Rectorship of that Par-

ish by the Rev. Joseph Scott;—the Rev. Joseph H. Nichols has resigned the office of Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New Haven;—the Rev. George H. Nichols has accepted the Rectorship of the Church in Salisbury, upon the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Warland;—the Rev. Henry Olmstead, Jr. has removed from Danbury to the Rectorship of St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield;—the Rev. Dexter Potter has removed from Poquetonnock, and accepted the charge of the Church in Bethany;—the Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson has removed from Watertown to Derby, and accepted the Rectorship of the Church in that place;—the Rev. D. H. Short has accepted the Rectorship of St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, upon the removal of the Rev. Mr. Everett to the Rectorship of the Church in Bethel;—the Rev. F. B. Woodward has accepted the Rectorship of the Church in Middle Haddam;—the Rev. C. W. Everest has resigned the charge of Grace Church, Hamden, and accepted the Rectorship of the Parish of North Haven;—the Rev. Mr. Fitch now confining his services to the Parish of Northford.

After adverting to these mutations in the residence of our Clergy, it becomes my painful duty to record a still more affecting change. I allude to the death of the Rev. Ashbel Baldwin.—Since our last Convention he has departed this life at the advanced age of nearly 90 years. He was admitted to Holy Orders by the venerable Bishop Seabury at the first ordination ever held in the United States. He was for many years Secretary of the General Convention of our Church, and for many years Secretary of the Convention in this Diocese. Well versed in ecclesiastical affairs and energetic in the discharge of all clerical duties, he has borne an important part in sustaining the welfare and advancing the prosperity of the Church. I trust his name will be held in suitable veneration, by all who are permitted to enjoy the benefit of his labours.

The following persons are now Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz.—James G. Blair, A. B., Thomas M. Peters, A. B., Charles W. Wooster, A. B., Thomas S. Preston, A. B., Joseph P. Taylor, A. B., George Rossiter, A. B., John J. Brandidge, A. B., Francis J. Clerc, A. B., Henry Edwards, A. B.,

Joseph Brewster, A. B., John Betts, A. B., John C. Sterling, A. B., Oliver S. Prescott, Jones G. French, Timothy Wilcox, Alexander Capron, A. B., Robert C. Rogers, A. B., Noble Palmer, A. B., Frederick D. Harriman, A. B., Thomas R. Pynchon, A. B., Gilbert B. Hayden, William Oscar Jarvis.

On the 17th day of June last I Consecrated St. James' Church, Fair Haven. On the 28th of October I Consecrated Emmanuel Church, in the town of Weston. On the 23d of December I Consecrated St. Mary's Church, Manchester. On the 20th of January I Consecrated St. Andrew's Church, Northford, and on the 24th of April I Consecrated St. Paul's Church, Wallingford. The first and two last of these Churches were of ample dimensions; the others neat and commodious; and I have to congratulate the Diocese on the greatly improved style of Church architecture which has been manifested within the last few years.

On the 9th day of October last I laid the Corner Stone of a new Church to be erected in the town of Canaan. The edifice is now nearly completed. And on the 6th of the present month, I laid the Corner Stone of a spacious Church, in the Parish of St. John's Church, Waterbury.

Having laid before you these statistics, Brethren, I will not detain you longer from the ordinary business of the Convention. May the Great Head of the Church preside over our deliberations. May He direct all our counsels, and overrule all our doings, to the promotion of His own glory, and the welfare of His people.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL.

NEW HAVEN, June 9, 1846.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That visiting Clergy from other Dioceses, and Clergy of our own, not canonically entitled to seats in this Convention, be admitted to its sittings.

The following gentlemen were present under this resolution :

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, of the Diocese of Ohio; the Rev. E. B. FOOTE, of the Diocese of Western New York; the Rev. SAMUEL NICHOLS, and the Rev. C. H. HALSEY, of the Diocese of New York.

The Parochial Reports,\* the reading of which before the Convention was ordered to be dispensed with, were presented to the Bishop.

Petitions of New Parishes for union with the Convention were presented, and referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes. The Committee reported in favor of the Parishes of Christ Church, Unionville, and St. Thomas', Bethel. The Report was accepted, those Parishes were received into union with the Convention, and Wm. Bradley, from Christ Church, Unionville, and Everett Clark and Noah S. Barnum, from St. Thomas', Bethel, were admitted as Lay Delegates.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following Report, which was, on motion, accepted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business *Report*, that, on page 21st of Journal of last year, they find the following Resolutions, which the Committee to whom they were referred, had leave, for want of time, to postpone the consideration of until the present Convention :

*Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that aged and infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of support, and especially such as have been reduced to that condition by their zealous endeavors to make themselves useful as Clergymen, have peculiar claims upon the sympathies and aid of the Church which they have served.

*Resolved*, That the Rev. Dr. Holcomb, the Rev. Mr. Hallam, and Henry A. Mitchell, Esq., be a Committee to devise some plan to carry the above resolution into effect, and report to this Convention.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons were also continued to this Convention that they might have time to make a more perfect Report.

E. E. BEARDSLEY, *Chairman*.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, continued from the last Convention, made a Report,† which, on motion, was laid on the table, and made the first business for to-morrow.

Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

\* Appendix A. † Appendix B.



**WEDNESDAY MORNING, June 10, 8 o'clock.**

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. DESHON, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. T. T. GUION. The Rolls of the Clergy and Lay Delegates were called; and the minutes of yesterday read and accepted.

The Special Committee on Certificates of Lay Delegates from Parish in Weston, made the following Report, which was accepted, and the Resolution recommended was adopted.

The Committee on the Certificates of those claiming seats in this Convention as Delegates from ——— Church, Weston, *Report*—That, after as full an investigation of the subject as the circumstances would permit, they give the result embodied in the following Resolution, which they respectfully offer for adoption by the Convention.

*Resolved*, That this Convention deem it inexpedient to decide between the claims of the Lay Delegates from the Church of Weston, as those claims are based upon proceedings, which are in course of judicial investigation; but in consideration of the rights of the ancient Parish, which both claimants, with Certificates, profess to represent, and in the hope that the difficulties which have arisen in that Parish, will be amicably and speedily adjusted, this Convention will admit Bradford Winton and Woolsey Nichols, Esqrs., to seats in this Convention, by courtesy, and without any decision concerning the legal rights of either, or their respective constituents.

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman*.

N. E. CORNWALL,

S. G. CORNELL.

New Haven, June 10th, 1846.

The names of Bradford Winton and Woolsey Nichols were accordingly called, and they took their seats.

A Petition from Grace Church, Trumbull, for admission into union with the Convention was presented, and referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the last year, read the following Report, which is entered on the Journal, in accordance with the VIth. Canon.

*Abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee, from the Convention of 1845 to the Convention of 1846.*

**I.** In accordance with the Ninth Article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, the Standing Committee held their first meeting on the day of their election, being the festival of St. Barnabas, June 11th, 1845, in the Vestry of St. John's Church, Hartford, all the members being present. The Rev. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary. They then adjourned to meet on Thursday, June 12th, at 8 A. M. It was then ordered that the second stated meeting should be held in Hartford, on the Wednesday preceding the Commencement of Trinity College, and that immediate notice thereof be published in The Calendar.

**II.** The second stated meeting was accordingly held at Hartford, on Wednesday and Thursday, August 6th and 7th, 1845, all the members being present. The testimonials of the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, were signed. James McKay of King's College, Aberdeen, Scotland, formerly a licentiate of the Scots Presbyterian Kirk, Henry Floy Roberts, formerly a Minister of the Society called Methodists, and David Platt Sanford, with dispensation as to time, for special reasons, were severally recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacons. The Rev. Henry Olmstead, Jun., Deacon, was recommended to be ordered Priest. The following members of the graduating class of Trinity College, viz.: Alexander Capron, Robert C. Rogers, Noble Palmer, and Frederick D. Harriman, were recommended as Candidates for Holy Orders. Henry Vibber Gardner, admitted as a Candidate, August 3, 1843, it being deemed expedient according to Canon IX., Sec. 7, to ordain him after a shorter time than three years, received the consent of the Standing Committee, and his testimonials were signed accordingly.

**III.** The third meeting was held at New Haven, Tuesday, November 11th, 1845. Present, the Rev. Drs. Croswell and Holcomb, the Rev. Mr. Burgess, and the Secretary. William Oscar Jarvis, Gilbert B. Hayden, and Thomas R. Pynchon, were severally recommended to the Bishop to be admitted Candidates. Charles Richmond Fisher was recommended to be order-

ed Deacon. The Rev. Charles H. Hall, Deacon, and the Rev. Wm. E. Vibbert, Deacon, were severally recommended to be ordered Priests. The Rev. Eli Worthington Stokes, a Deacon of the Diocese of Maryland, received by the Bishop of this Diocese, by letters dimissory, dated Sept. 30th, 1845, and with title from St. Luke's Parish, New Haven, was recommended for the Holy Order of Priests.

IV. The fourth and last meeting was held at New Haven, Monday, June 8th, 1846, all the members being present. John Jacob Brandigee and Thomas Scott Preston were severally recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacons, and the Rev. Messrs. James McKay, Henry V. Gardner, and Joseph M. Wait, Deacons, to be ordered Priests. According to the provisions of Canon XI., the Standing Committee then acted with the Bishop in making out the list of Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention. After which, there being no further business before them, they adjourned on Wednesday, June 10th, sine die.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Secretary*.

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes reported in favor of receiving into union with the Convention the Parish of Grace Church, Trumbull, and that the Lay Delegate therefrom be admitted to a seat. The Report was accepted, the Parish admitted, and Elijah Middlebrook took his seat as Lay Delegate from that Parish.

The Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, which was made the order of the day for this morning, was taken up. After a single amendment it was approved, and ordered to be printed as amended in the Appendix of the Journal,\* for the consideration of the next Convention, in accordance with Article XVI. of the Constitution.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for the Standing Committee, of the Diocese for the ensuing year. The following persons were chosen, the Rev. George Burgess having declined a re-election :

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The Rev. Dr. CROSWELL, the Rev. Dr. JARVIS, the Rev. Dr. MEAD, the Rev. Dr. HOLCOMB, the Rev. R. A. HALLAM.

The Annual Report\* of the Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society was presented and accepted.

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society be referred to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report to this Convention whether any, and if any, what changes are expedient in the plan of operations of that Society.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were offered and passed :

WHEREAS it is understood by this Convention that the Sermon of the Rev. Dr. JARVIS, delivered before it, on Tuesday the 9th inst., has been obtained for publication, at the request of a number of the Clergy,

*Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop be requested to present to the Rt. Rev. the Primus of the Church in Scotland, any number of copies which may be placed at his disposal by the subscribers, for the purpose of distribution among our Brethren of that Church.

*Resolved*, That this Convention would be happy to see the Concordate between the Church of Scotland and this Diocese, re-printed as an Appendix to the Sermon ; together with the Letter of the Bishops of the Church of Scotland to this Diocese.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons were, at their own request, discharged from reporting, as instructed by the last Convention, a Canon to regulate the admission of New Parishes.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the first business at this afternoon's session be the Report of the Committee, appointed at the last Convention, to devise some plan for providing for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen, destitute of the means of support.

The Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society.† After its business was finished, the Convention was re-organized ; and it was voted to adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Convention re-assembled. Minutes of the morning were read and approved.

\* Appendix C. † Appendix D.

**Resolved,** That a Committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Common and Parochial School Education, and report thereon to the next Convention.

The Rev. Messrs. BURGESS, RICHARDSON, and PAYNE, were appointed that Committee.

The Committee, continued from last year, to devise means to provide for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen, reported a Canon which, after a slight amendment, was adopted as follows :

### CANON.

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to take up a collection, either on Whitsunday, or Trinity Sunday, in each year, to be applied under the direction of the Bishop and Standing Committee, according to circumstances, and as there may seem to be an existing necessity, for the relief of aged or infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of an adequate and comfortable support.

In this appropriation special reference shall be had to such cases as are apparently Providential, and where it may appear that the necessity has resulted in any measure from the zealous endeavors of the individual to make himself useful in the cause of his Divine Master. The widows of deceased Clergymen in this Diocese, they still residing within the limits of the same, and being destitute, shall be considered as coming within the operation of this Canon.

On motion,

**Resolved,** That a Committee be appointed to consider and report to the next Convention, the expediency of printing and publishing in a pamphlet form, any documents relating to the first organization and early history of the Church in this Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS, and Rev. Messrs. BEARDSLEY and CHAPIN, were appointed that Committee.

On motion,

**Resolved,** That it be referred to the same Committee to enquire what documents, belonging to the Diocese, may be at present in the possession of individuals, and to collect such as they may discover, for permanent preservation with the other archives of the Diocese.

**Resolved,** That the Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, be a Committee to procure the printing and distribution of *one thousand* copies of the Journal of this Convention.

The Special Committee appointed upon the Christian Knowledge Society, made the following Report, which, with the accompanying Resolutions, was adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, with instructions to report whether any, or what changes, are expedient in the mode of operations of that Society, report that they have examined the Report of the Treasurer, and have found its items and the vouchers correct.

- With reference to the general subject referred to them, the Committee are compelled to make a very hasty statement.

On account of the payments usually made at the Convention, sometimes before and sometimes after the closing of the Annual Report, it is difficult to state the exact amount of receipts in each single year. The Reports themselves, however, for the last ten years, give the following result, after deducting the legacies received; the payments from the Ogden Missionary Fund, which are, of course, uncertain; and the collection, on the average about \$40 after the Annual Sermon.

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|-----------------------------------|---|---|-------|----------|
| In the year ending in June, 1837, |   |   |       | \$957 40 |
| "                                 | " | " | 1838, | 699 82   |
| "                                 | " | " | 1839, | 1074 86  |
| "                                 | " | " | 1840, | 759 05   |
| "                                 | " | " | 1841, | 1188 78  |
| "                                 | " | " | 1842, | 1146 99  |
| "                                 | " | " | 1843, | 1141 74  |
| "                                 | " | " | 1844, | 847 62   |
| "                                 | " | " | 1845, | 1058 23  |
| "                                 | " | " | 1846, | 852 77   |

The amounts have varied, therefore, from \$700 to almost \$1200; but the last three years together have exceeded the first three only by the total sum of \$26, or about \$9 annually.

In the total sum of its annual receipts from the benevolence of

the Diocese, and in its pecuniary prospects, the Society has made no improvement.

The appropriations for the last two years have justly exceeded the receipts, because the sum of \$500, the legacy of the late Mrs. Hart, was in the hands of the Treasurer, and subject to appropriation.

The permanent funds of the Society yield but about \$36.

In 1843, it was resolved, that County agents or treasurers should be appointed. The principle had been engrafted on the Constitution, that any Parish might appropriate half of its contributions. Subsequently, the practical course has been, to permit them to appropriate the whole. So far as can be determined from the accounts, it would appear that, in the last three years, about one-third of the payments have been under such special appropriations; but the real proportion has probably been larger.

Under this, Hartford County, in the year ending in June, 1845,

|            |          |              |          |
|------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| paid       | \$340 34 | and received | \$281 00 |
| Litchfield | 227 45   | " "          | 372 94   |
| New Haven  | 235 80   | " "          | 165 00   |
| New London | 71 77    | " "          | 73 69    |
| Fairfield  | 252 80   | " "          | 266 32   |
| Middlesex  | 28 00    | " "          | 25 00    |
| Windham    | 00 00    | " "          | 25 00    |

In the past year, Hartford paid \$193 43, and received \$537; it being understood that the legacy of Mrs. Hart was to be appropriated in that region; one of the Missionaries also being partly employed in the County of Tolland.

|            |      |         |              |          |
|------------|------|---------|--------------|----------|
| Litchfield | paid | \$80 95 | and received | \$249 66 |
| New Haven  | "    | 188 27  | " "          | 235 00   |
| New London | "    | 71 77   | " "          | 00 00    |
| Fairfield  | "    | 255 35  | " "          | 393 00   |
| Middlesex  | "    | 43 00   | " "          | 55 00    |
| Windham    | "    | 20 00   | " "          | 100 00   |

It is to be remarked, in justice to the system of County appropriations, that several Parishes have been established in the Counties of Litchfield, Fairfield, and Hartford, which, without this system, might not have existed. But it is understood that, in

other respects, some inconvenience has been sustained, in the general operations of the Society, in consequence of the large special appropriations of some Counties, and of the fact, that those Counties which can contribute most, are generally, from the nature of the case, likely to need the least.

But the view of the affairs of the Society would not be complete, without a reference to the fact that its receipts have long been anticipated. At this moment, it owes about \$745 for appropriations which became due at Easter.

The Committee would, with very great deference to the judgment of the Bishop and Standing Committee, propose the following Resolutions :

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it would be desirable that the appropriations for the past year should be paid as soon as possible, and no further general appropriations be made, till the funds have been already received.

*Resolved*, That, inasmuch as any further appropriations will place the Society in debt, it be recommended to all the Parishes to double their contributions in the ensuing year, that the appropriations may be anticipated by the payments.

*Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this Convention, the system of County appropriations should either cease, or be so modified, that it may not so seriously encroach on the sums at the disposal of the Bishop and Standing Committee ; and for this end, that special appropriations should not exceed the proportion permitted by the Constitution.

All which is respectfully submitted,

On behalf of the Committee,

GEORGE BURGESS, *Chairman*.

The Treasurer of Convention Fund made his Annual Report.\*

The Minutes of the afternoon's session were read and approved.

After singing the 103d Hymn, and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.,

*President and Bishop of the Diocese.*

Attest, WM. PAYNE, *Secretary*.

\* Appendix E.



# APPENDIX A.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DERBY, (BIRMINGHAM.)

REV. WM. BLISS ASHLEY, RECTOR.

Families 106; communicants—lost by death 3, by removal 9—12; added, anew 9, by removal 12—21; whole number 146; baptisms 22; marriages 4; burials 14; offerings and contributions appropriated to various charities, extra parochial, \$366 04.

The Rector of this Parish would do violence to his own feelings, and an injustice to the beloved people of his charge, did he fail to report to his Bishop their uniform kindness and liberality towards him. Prompted by those generous impulses for which they are justly distinguished, they have recently added, of their own accord, nearly one-fourth to his salary. May He, from whose grace all good works proceed, reward them abundantly, by giving His ministering servant wisdom and strength to “watch for their souls” with prudent zeal and faithful diligence; and by building *them* up in that holy faith which will secure them an “inheritance among them that are sanctified”!

Since the last Convention we have expended some two hundred dollars in improvements within and around our Church edifice, and have paid about the same amount on our debt. The Rector earnestly hopes to be able, by the next Convention, to report the material diminution, if not the total liquidation of that debt. Our Congregation seems to be gradually increasing, although it pains me to be obliged to add, that there are some, of whom we have reason to “hope better things,” who frequently and inexcusably “forsake the assembling of themselves together.” May God give them repentance and better minds before their wicked and soul-destroying negligence shall have become so habitual, as to be utterly incurable!

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, RECTOR.

Families about 60; communicants—lost by removal 2; added anew, 4; by removal 2, total 6, present number 44; baptisms—infants 6, adults 9, in all 15; confirmed 18; marriages 2; burials 2; charitable contributions—Domestic Missions \$7 61, Diocesan do. \$10, Trinity College \$92 50, total \$110 11; Sunday School teachers, &c. 10, pupils 30.

During the past year full services have been held in this Parish, which

for several important considerations have been discontinued; and as formerly, services are sustained for only every alternate Lord's

### **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH GUILFORD.**

**REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR.**

Families 38; baptisms—children 2; communicants 45; marriages 5. This Church, since the last Convention, has been uniformly ed for Divine Worship; and had the services of the Minister 27 Sundays, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and Ash Wednesday. Here the sacrament of the Lord's Supper has been celebrated on the festival of Christmas, Easter and Trinity Sunday, and on three or four other occasions.

During the conventional year I have officiated thirteen Sundays at Zion Church, North Branford, and on Good Friday; have administered the communion four times, baptized one child, and attended two funerals. The communicants of this Church have furnished the table with silver service of Sheffield plate. Though few in number, they do not fail to assemble together on the Lord's Day to unite in prayer and praise.

I have also officiated nine Sundays in Union Church, Killingworth, administered the communion four times and baptized two children. In this Church and the region round about, the Minister who is willing to spend and be spent in the cause of the Redeemer for the good of the community may labor to good effect. Though reduced by deaths and removals, there may be found more than twenty communicants.

### **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, (WAREHOUSE POINT,) E. WINDSOR.**

**REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.**

Families 68; baptisms—infants 6; confirmed 2; communicants 100; marriages 5; burials 10; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 60.

Nothing has occurred in this Parish in the year last past, to hinder an increase of sound morals and true religion. Harmony and peace and a due sense of individual responsibility is manifest by the zeal and cheerfulness with which our services are sustained.

A Church edifice will soon be erected at Broad Brook. At Thoringtonville, it is believed, our services, with judicious exertion, might be well established, as there are several communicants there, and about 10 families who prefer the services of our Church. The means now employed in these portions of our field of labor, are the circulation of religious tracts and "The Calendar."

### **ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHESHIRE.**

**REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.**

Families 56; baptisms—infants 6; communicants—added by removal 8, anew 4, lost by death 1, removals 8, total 93; marriages 3; burials 1 extra parochial, a child of Rev. Mr. Bryant, of Wallingford; Sunday School teachers 7; Bible class 10; missionary and charitable contributions, \$56.29, \$9 of which were for the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

It is believed that this Parish is steadily increasing, both in temporal and spiritual prosperity. In addition to the usual calls upon it, it has contributed within the past Conventional year, more than \$500—\$215 in aid

funds of Trinity College, and about \$300 towards a pleasant and well-tuned organ. The Rector and his people, ought in justice to acknowledge their obligations to the generous efforts of a lady of Christ Church, Hartford, and to the liberality of a layman of Portland, Ct., for increasing the subscription to the organ by another *hundred dollars*.

### CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. L. T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families 62; baptisms—adult 1, infants 5; communicants 96—added 4, lost by death 5, removal 1; marriages 4; burials 5; missionary and charitable contributions \$28.93.

Little has occurred in this Parish since the last Annual Report, demanding special reference. While there have been no extraordinary circumstances of prosperity, neither have we encountered particular reverses.

Not presuming to put asunder what God hath joined together, the Rector has endeavored (he trusts not fruitlessly,) to cultivate the portion of the Master's vineyard allotted to his charge, by a continual exposition and enforcement of the united claims of the Gospel and the Church.

### CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.

REV. WILLIAM WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.

Families 80 to 85; baptisms—adults 2, infants 10, total 12; communicants—added anew 10, died 4, removed 3, present number 97; confirmed 9; burials—adults 7, children 1; marriages 6.

There will be found a slight discrepancy between this and former reports in regard to the whole number of communicants. This arises from the fact that the list has been corrected and several names omitted of persons who for a series of years have never communed. Since the last Report to the Convention, arrangements have been made for the erection of a new Gothic Church edifice in the district of Tashua. The requisite funds have been very promptly contributed, and a contract is now made for the completion of the Church during the ensuing autumn or winter. It is designed to take the place of the old building, and it is hoped and believed will amply reward the zeal and unanimity which has thus far characterized the effort.

One more important change has taken place, which deserves a passing notice. At a meeting of the Parish, held on the 5th day of June, a unanimous resolution was adopted, providing for a division of the Parish. A measure, the tendency of which has already been to restore harmony and paternal love, in a region where, from the conflict of interests and sectional feelings, a degree of unanimity essential to the well being of every Parish, could scarcely be maintained.

With the removal of this obstacle, and the erection of a new Church, it is to be hoped that a fresh impetus will be given this ancient fold, the results of which, God grant, may be the source of peace and gratulation at the fearful day of judgment. A new Parish has been organized under the style and title of "Grace Church, Long Hill, Trumbull;" and an application for admission into connection with the Church in this Diocese, will be made at the present session of the Convention.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.

REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.

Families about 80; communicants 107; baptisms—infants 3; marriages 5; burials 10.

The new Church reported last year as commenced, is now completed and consecrated. As it is a beautiful edifice and worthy of imitation in other rural Parishes, a brief description of it here, may not be without interest. It is in the Gothic style, forty feet by sixty-three, exclusive of the buttresses, tower and vestry. The tower is twelve feet square and eighty feet high. The Vestry-room is about ten by twelve. All the angles are finished with buttresses and pinnacles, and the tower with battlements. The windows are painted and finished with mullions, and glazed with diamond glass. There is a large Gothic window in front, having twelve compartments. The exterior is painted and sanded in imitation of light free stone. The interior is very neat, and finished, to correspond with the Gothic style of architecture. The chancel, screen, and gallery front are ornamented with a bold tracery in beautiful workmanship. The slips, above and below, are all finished with scrolls, and the whole interior (with the exception of the walls, which are hard-finished white) is grained in imitation of dark English oak. The chancel arrangement is similar to that of Trinity Church, New Haven. The pulpit, which is in the centre, stands against an oak screen which is attached to the rear wall. Through this screen and behind one of the wings of the pulpit, is the door which leads into the Vestry-room. Directly against the pulpit, in front, stands a massy altar, painted in imitation of Egyptian marble, and at each end of the altar, an oak lectern, dressed in maroon velvet, to correspond with the pulpit. The cost was about five thousand dollars, the whole of which (with the exception of about four hundred dollars) was raised by the Parish. The enterprise was commenced, conducted and consummated, with great unanimity and harmony, and all the slips below were immediately rented, and at a rate sufficient to meet all the current expenses of the Parish. Having a neat and commodious Church, and a convenient parsonage, and a united congregation, this Parish has now all the external elements of prosperity. May the Spirit of God be sent down to engraft the word inwardly, and to give efficacy to his own appointed means of grace.

## CHRIST CHURCH, WESTPORT.

REV. EDWARD C. BULL, RECTOR.

Families 57; baptisms—infants 8; communicants—added by removal 4, anew 1, lost by removal 3, by death 2, whole number 90; marriages 2; burials 5; Sunday School teachers 14, scholars 69; missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish \$15.

## CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS, RECTOR.

Families 254; baptisms—infant 28, adult 2, whole number 30; communicants—added 45, removed 30, died 10, present number about 400; confirmed 19; marriages 11; burials 27; Sunday School—teachers 27, scholars about 180; missionary and charitable contributions, exclusive of objects within the Parish, \$1469,53.

Except as to the entire number of families, and of communicants, these

statistics are, in most respects, less indicative of direct increase, than in some past years. The aspect of the Parish, however, affords no tokens of decay or causes for the slightest discouragement. Nothing is wanting, except that the Holy Ghost may breathe into the souls of the Minister and the people a more devout, laborious, and self-denying zeal; and the Rector, confessing his own exceeding deficiency, asks this for his congregation and for himself.

During a portion of the year, the Rector of Christ Church has held a third service, on the Lord's Day, at West Hartford.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

REV. RIVERIUS CAMP, RECTOR.

Families 22; baptisms—adults 4, infants 5; confirmed 9; communicants—added by removal 5, anew 9, died 1, whole number 50; burials 2.

### CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families reported in 1845, 42, removed 4, added 13, present number 51; baptisms—adults 1, infants 2, total 3; communicants reported in 1845, 57, lost by death 2, by removal 4, total 6, added by removal 7, anew 3, total 10, present number 61; marriages 3; burials 8; Sunday School—scholars 31, teachers 6; missionary and charitable contributions—Convention Fund \$2, Christian Knowledge Society \$4, Sunday School Library \$7 11, Lamps for Church \$21. balance paid for organ \$18, Ladies Sewing Society (about) \$25, total \$77 11.

Of the families here reported, three, (including five communicants,) are so situated as to make it ordinarily more convenient to attend public worship in the adjoining Parishes, though considering themselves as properly belonging to this Parish. Of the families added, three have been by removals, the other ten having been previously resident in the Parish, but have signified their desire during the past year, to be regarded as members of our congregation. Being in moderate circumstances, they add but little to the immediate pecuniary ability of the Parish, though they furnish ground of hope for the future. Several of them have been attracted to the Church, not so much by her doctrine or discipline, of which they generally know but little, as by their coming to understand, that the Church of Christ is the home and friend of the poor man, as well as of the rich.

The experiment of a daily morning and evening service, through the solemn season of Passion Week, was tried, for the first time since the formation of the Parish, with the most gratifying success; and notwithstanding the smallness of our ordinary assemblies, and the remote distance of most of them from the Church, we had a congregation varying from fifteen to sixty, which is a much larger proportion of the whole congregation than could have been reasonably expected. The prescribed fasts of Lent, were also much more generally observed than heretofore.

In arranging the sittings of the Church, the selling and leasing of the slips has been dispensed with for the present, by vote of the Parish, and an approximation has been so far made towards the primitive system of free seats, that every individual who wishes receives a seat, and in consideration thereof, casts into the Treasury of the Lord, such offerings as his ability and sense of duty dictate. Of the practical working of this plan, it is yet too soon to speak, though we argue well from present appearances.

During the year, a Musical Society has been organized, to revive the music of the Church, which had very much deteriorated, and to cultivate an acquaintance with that ancient music which speaks the voice of the Church, by the lips of the congregation, and also those stirring and powerful strains which belong to the period, and are characteristic of the Reformation. A Sunday School choir has also been organized, and once a week, the members of it are trained in those principles of the science which are requisite to make them independent and efficient performers in years to come.

Upon a review of the past year, and of the present condition and prospects of the Parish, the Rector feels authorized to report the prospects as being quite as favorable as could be expected; and he thinks the benefits of having the entire services of a resident Clergyman, are distinctly visible. We must bear in mind, however, that there are serious obstacles in the way of its progress, some of which are shared in common with other Parishes, especially the smaller ones, and some of which are peculiar to this place.

We hope, however, by the grace of God, to be able, in time, to overcome many, if not all of these obstacles, and to see the Church arise in her strength and put on her beautiful garments.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

Families 195; baptisms—infants 24; adults 9; confirmed 28; communicants 340, added by removals 10, anew 31, lost by removals 16, lost by death 9; marriages 18; burials 20; Sunday School teachers 60, scholars 310; missionary and charitable contributions, as follows—to the Church Scholarship Society, \$127 50; to the Christian Knowledge Society, \$50 00; to Churches in our own Diocese, \$218; to needy parishes in the West, \$100; to the Domestic department of our Missionary Society, \$373; to the Foreign department, \$70, \$20 of which was contributed by the children of the Sunday School to educate a child at our African Mission—total \$938 50.

The ladies in their sewing circles (of which there are seven, besides one of little girls which promises well) have persevered in their labors, and been more than ever successful—\$168 20 has been raised by them, besides much which cannot properly be included in this report.

The usual Fasts and Festivals of the Church have been observed, it is hoped, with profit. The youth of the Parish are generally members of the Bible Classes which meet on the Sabbath, and the Rector has the satisfaction also, of meeting a large number of them once a week in an expository lecture.

At a Parish meeting held on the 23d day of February last—"it was voted unanimously, that it is expedient to build a church, if funds can be raised by subscription." The new church has been commenced, and the corner stone was laid with appropriate services by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese on Saturday last. Its dimensions are one hundred and seventeen feet by sixty five—to be of stone of the Gothic order of Architecture—and it will probably be ready for consecration one year from the 1st of July next.

This effort of the Parish, which has been entered upon in a most commendable spirit, has necessarily diverted a part of the funds raised by our benevolent societies from the general objects of the Church, and consequently less than usual appears in this report.

**CHRIST CHURCH, BETHLEM.****REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D., RECTOR.**

Families about 40; baptisms 4—3 infants and 1 adult; confirmed 7; communicants—added anew 5, by removal 1—whole number of actual communicants 54; marriages 1; burials 2, and 1 in Woodbury during the sickness of the Rector of that Parish. There are a Sunday School and a Bible Class—the precise number of which I am not able to report.

This Parish, while enjoying full clerical services, has incurred a yearly debt for a number of years, which has increased to a considerable sum. It was thought best, the present year, to employ a clergyman but half the time, so as not to increase the indebtedness, while an effort is in progress to remove what has already been incurred. It is hoped and believed that the effort will succeed—and that the people will hereafter, by their united endeavors, raise enough for the full support of a clergyman. Charitable contributions—to the Christian Knowledge Society \$12, to Domestic Missions \$4.

**TRINITY CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.****REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D., RECTOR.**

This Parish was supplied by the Rev. Abel Ogden, from about the time of the last Convention up to Easter, when the present Rector entered upon the charge. He can only make out a probable statement as to the number of families and communicants from the Rev. Dr. Holcomb's report for last year—there being no lists found in the Parish.

Since the last Convention, it is known that 1 family and 2 communicants have removed, and 1 communicant has died—while the Communion has not yet been increased by the addition of those who were recently confirmed. It is hoped, however, that this increase will be made at the next celebration of the Eucharist. It would appear that the number of families is 41, and the number of communicants 42; baptism—1 infant; confirmed 8; burials 4. These clerical acts were performed by the Rev. Mr. Ogden, with the exception of 1 burial, which has occurred since Easter. Missionary contributions \$17 50; contributions for the increase of the Sunday School and Parish Libraries about \$14. The Sunday School is also under obligations to St. John's Church, Waterbury, for a considerable donation of Books.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.****REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants 25, adults 2; funerals 37; marriages 15; communicants—added 14, by removal 18, died 4, whole number 335; families 286; Sunday School scholars and teachers 202; missionary and charitable contributions \$390.33; for altering and painting the interior of the Church, \$645; for a new organ, built by Mr. Jardine, of New York, \$2000.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.****REV. S. COOKE, RECTOR.**

This Church (which was a part of Trinity Parish, New Haven,) was admitted into union with the Convention, in June, 1845. For several sub-



sequent months, the public services were held by different individuals, who officiated from time to time, at the request of the Vestry. From September to January, the Church edifice was closed, on account of extensive repairs. These repairs have been made, at a cost of about seven thousand dollars, which sum has been given by members of the Parish. The present Rector was instituted in the month of January.

The statistics of the Parish are as follows:

Families 245; communicants 240; baptisms—adults 7, infants 13 admitted to the communion 12; marriages 3; burials 4. Several hundred dollars have been collected and appropriated to different Church objects.

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH, MANCHESTER.

REV. WILLIAM B. CORBYN, RECTOR.

The Rector respectfully reports to his Bishop, that during the year, till Easter, he has officiated at St. Mary's on alternate Sundays, besides the celebration of Divine Service on other Holy Days.

The Church, of which the foundation had been laid at the time of the last report, has been finished and consecrated.

The average attendance on public worship has increased since the consecration of the Church—though the congregation is still somewhat fluctuating, as is always the case in a new Parish.

Since Easter I have given my whole time to this Parish. During the year two catechumens, and two infants, have been admitted to the Church by baptism, and two persons have been confirmed.

We find much to encourage a continuance in these labors, and confidently expect God's blessing upon them.

### ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH, COVENTRY.

REV. WILLIAM B. CORBYN, MINISTER.

Until Easter I celebrated Divine Service and preached on alternate Sundays, in the Parish of St. Clement's, Coventry. A respectable congregation has been gathered. We hope hereafter to report that the Church has been permanently established there.

One catechumen has been baptized into the Church. Four persons have been confirmed.

### TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families 105; baptisms—adults 0, infants 10; confirmed 0; communicants—added anew 8, by removal 6, lost by death 4, removal 2, present number 179; marriages 3; burials 12; Sunday School—teachers 1 scholars 100; missionary and charitable contributions, including \$100 for Trinity College Charity Fund, \$247.44.

This Parish, by the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, continues in a prosperous, progressive state. The size of the congregation usually attending divine service on the Lord's Day, has so far increased as to require additional pews, which have been provided within a few weeks past. The number of new communicants reported this year is comparatively small, but under the circumstances which have caused delay on the part of some persons, who may be expected to come to the Lord



table soon, especially the fact that the rite of confirmation has not been administered in this Parish since the last Convention, the Rector cannot deem the rare accessions to the list of communicants for a year past, a sign of declining interest in spiritual things, on the part of his parishioners generally. He has been, on the contrary, much encouraged of late, by striking evidences of an improving attention to important Christian duties, on the part of many who have in former years taken upon themselves the Christian profession.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families 54; communicants 74; Sunday School—teachers 9, scholars 45.

I took charge of this Parish the third Sunday after Easter. As yet I have not had a sufficient time to obtain the necessary information to enable me to make a full and accurate report of its present state and prospects; but can only say, as far as I am able to judge from the general appearance of things, that they are quite promising. The seats in the Church are nearly all taken, and I believe the *Parish is well united*. They have lately contracted for an organ, to be placed in the Church, of suitable dimensions and power, which will be ready in a few weeks, and will add much to the devotion and solemnity of the service.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

REV. JOSEPH S. COVELL, LATE RECTOR.

Families 31; communicants—added anew 4, lost by removal 16, by death 13, present number 53; baptized—1 adult and 1 infant; attended 1 funeral; married 3 couples; confirmed 9.

As I resigned this Parish at Easter, I am unable to make a full statistical report; but it will be found, by referring to my report of last year, that it has suffered very much by removals, both of *families* and *communicants*, which has weakened the strength of the Parish, probably about one-third. This is owing to the fluctuating state of business, which prevails, more or less, in almost all manufacturing villages, which operates very materially to prevent the growth of our Parishes, and often to discourage and almost to paralyze the exertions of the most faithful pastor. To see those on whom he has long bestowed his faithful instructions, and whom he has been accustomed to regard as the future supply and strength of his little flock, leaving him, is an evil which many a pastor has occasion to lament, but which none has power to remedy.

During my ten years connection with this Parish, there have been added to the communion 85, 26 only belonging to the Parish, when I took charge of it, in all 111; baptized 51 children and 20 adults; married 30 couples; attended 39 funerals; confirmed at different times 53.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARTFORD.

REV. A. C. COXE, RECTOR.

Families 166; baptisms—catechumens 18, infants 35—53; confirmed 38; communicants, including 15 from Trinity College,—added by removal 15, as new 39, lost by removal 34, by death 4—226; marriages 9;

burials 14; Sunday School—teachers 19; scholars 126—145; contributions, missionary—Christian Knowledge \$46 14, Domestic and Foreign Missions \$108—\$154 14; contributions, charitable—Church Scholarship \$33 45, the Jews \$17 64, St. Olaf's Church, Wisconsin, \$25, Church at Grand Rapids \$24, Children's Easter offerings \$16—\$116 09; contributions, Parochial—Parochial expenses \$152 65, Parochial school \$26, Churching offerings \$12, Offertory \$211 37—\$402 02, in all \$672 25. In addition to these contributions reported, there have been several liberal subscriptions for extra-parochial objects; but the number of the collections for the charities of the Church has been somewhat limited, as well as their amount, on account of the heavy instalments on subscriptions to defray the Parish debt, and in behalf of Trinity College, which have fallen due during the year.

The arrangements for divine service continue as heretofore reported; and there has been an increased attendance, not only upon the services of the Lord's Day, but also upon Holy Days, and the Daily Prayers in Lent. Lectures on the Prayer Book, &c. have been given according to the Canons; and from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost both male and female classes of adults received catechetical instruction preparatory to baptism and confirmation. Daily Prayers were continued till Trinity Sunday.

### TRINITY CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.

REV. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR.

The three Parishes (St. Paul's and St. Luke's, New Haven, and St. James', Fair Haven,) which recently constituted a portion of the Parish of Trinity Church, being now fully organized, and having regular pastoral services, we are enabled to state, with some degree of precision, though not perhaps with perfect accuracy, the present condition of the Parish.

Number of families 373; communicants, including the additions of the past year, 458; baptisms—adults 6, children 82—88; burials, of whom 15 were communicants, 55; marriages 28; Sunday School—teachers 35, catechumens enrolled 333; monthly offerings from last annual report, \$1,274 80.

### ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SOUTH GLASTENBURY.

REV. GILES H. DESHON, RECTOR.

Families 68; baptisms—infants 7, adult 1; communicants—added by removal 2, anew 2, lost by removal 2, by death 4, present number 101; marriages 2; funerals 9; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars 70; charitable contributions for objects without the Parish \$126 65.

So far as its temporal affairs are concerned this Parish may be reported as prosperous. The Rector has only to wish that he could perceive a corresponding degree of spiritual improvement.

The small number of additions to our list of communicants may be accounted for perhaps in part by the fact that the rite of confirmation has not been administered within the Parish during the past year.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

REV. GEO. B. EASTMAN, RECTOR.

The Rector, since his connexion with the Parish in August last, has officiated here one-half of the time. The Holy Communion has been ad-

ministered once in six weeks, and the same number of times in Christ Church, Quaker's Farms. The attendance of the communicants in their respective Parishes has been punctual. During Lent the Church was open for morning or evening service once in each week, and in Passion Week four times. The attendance upon these services was by no means general. It is to be hoped that hereafter there will be manifested a more reverent regard for this most sacred season of the Church.

A very desirable improvement has been effected in the chancel of the Church, by the addition of an altar for the due celebration of the Holy Eucharist. A surplice has also been procured by the ladies of the Parish.

Although the condition of the Parish is not altogether such as could be wished, there is yet ground of encouragement, and could there be awakened in the minds of its members a truer and deeper interest for the distinctive principles of the Church, it would be no small guarantee of its future prosperity.

Families about 60; communicants about 40; confirmed 2; buried 4; married 1.

### CHRIST CHURCH, QUAKER'S FARMS, OXFORD.

REV. GEO. B. EASTMAN, RECTOR.

Families about 60; baptized—1 infant; confirmed 4; buried 2; married 3; communicants—added 6, present number about 30.

The Rector entered upon his duties in this Parish, in connexion with St. Peter's Church, Oxford, on the 11th Sunday after Trinity, August, A. D. 1845. Divine service has been celebrated here on Sundays one-half of the time. In pleasant weather the attendance has been good. The Church was opened for morning prayer once in each week during the holy season of Lent, and in Passion Week four times—three times in the evening and a sermon preached. The Holy Eucharist has been administered once in six weeks. Since Easter a third service has been held here and at St. Peter's on alternate Sundays: both Churches, under my charge, have thus been opened on every Sunday. A system of weekly offerings has been in operation for a short time, and promises to work well. There is material here for a large congregation, which, it is hoped, will in time, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, be built up in the true faith of the One Holy Catholic Church.

The Rector has visited several Church families, held one service, and buried one person in the town of Southbury.

### TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND.

REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Families 90; baptisms—infants 10, adults 5, total 15; confirmed 8; communicants—added by removal 2, added anew 8, lost by removal 5, lost by death 3, whole number 96; marriages 10; burials 15; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars 95; missionary and charitable contributions for objects *without* the Parish—in aid of the funds of Trinity College, about \$500; in aid of several Churches near Grand Rapids, Michigan, \$17; in aid of the Church in Hudson, Ohio, about \$71; to Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in Connecticut, \$20; to Constantinople, \$20; for Africa, \$5; for Nashotah, \$5; for Jews' Chapel, \$10; for St. Mary's Church, Manchester, Conn. \$10; an individual subscribed for the organ in St.

Peter's Church, Cheshire, \$50 ; another individual for the Church in Ohio, \$120 ; total, \$828. This Parish is united, peaceful and harmonious.

### GRACE CHURCH, HAMDEN.

REV. C. W. EVEREST, LATE RECTOR.

Families 46; baptisms—infants 3; communicants—added by removal 1, anew 1, lost by death 2, present number 70; marriages 4; burials 2; missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish, \$21 87½. It may not be improper to add that, during the past year the sum of \$160 has been subscribed within the Parish for the Charity Fund of Trinity College.

At Easter last the late Rector resigned the charge of this Church, and assumed the care of the adjacent Parish of St. John's, North Haven. The vacancy in Hamden is now temporarily supplied by the Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, of New Haven.

### ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, BETHEL.

REV. WILLIAM EVERETT, RECTOR.

Families 55; baptism—infant 1; communicants 69; burial 1; Sunday School—teachers 5, scholars 30.

This Parish was organized at Easter last, previous to which it formed part of St. James' Church, Danbury. In the short time which has elapsed since that date, there have occurred but few changes, and the statistics of the past year will be included in the Report of the former Rector, the Rev. T. T. Guion.

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.

REV. CHARLES R. FISHER, DEACON.

I took the temporary charge of this Parish immediately after my ordination in December last; but the condition of the Parish at that period, and the shortness of the time during which I had charge of it, prevent me from making such a report as the Canon requires.

Families about 25; baptisms—6 children; communicants—added anew 1, whole number about 40; marriage 1; burial 1; Sunday School—teachers 5, scholars about 20.

The children were catechised almost every Sunday, in the Church, immediately after the Morning Service. The Holy Communion was administered on the Festival of the Nativity, by the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, and in the three following months by the Rev. H. H. Bates, the Rev. Dr. Totten, and the Rev. John M. Guion, former Rector of the Parish; and on Easter Sunday by the Rev. Wm. Payne. I thrice assisted in the administration. The average number of communicants at any one time is 20. The average attendance on public worship on the afternoon of Sundays is about 75. My charge of this Parish closed at Easter.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.

REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

Families 30; baptisms—infants 1, adults 2; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 13, lost by death 2, present number 48; marriages 1

burials 5; quarterly collections for missionary and charitable purposes, \$9 53.

Within the past year a new and beautiful Church has been built by this Parish, and provided with all things needful for the suitable performance of Divine Worship. An effort has been successfully made to secure the ministrations of the Church in this Parish the whole of the time, and with an appropriation from the Christian Knowledge Society for the present, this arrangement will doubtless become permanent. It may be mentioned now, inasmuch as it was inadvertantly omitted last year, that the Agent for Trinity College Charity Fund secured about \$700 in this Parish for that institution.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH HAVEN.

REV. HENRY FITCH, LATE RECTOR.

Families 43; baptisms—infants 6; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 2, lost by death 2, by removal 2, present number 39; marriages 1; burials 2; monthly offerings \$11 08; communion offerings \$4 63.

The late Rector resigned the charge of this Parish at Easter, in order to devote his whole time to St. Andrew's Parish, Northford. The two Parishes had for the preceding three years formed a single cure, each receiving Clerical services one half the time. Of the official acts reported above, 2 baptisms and 1 burial were performed by Rev. C. W. Everest, who has accepted the charge of the Parish since Easter.

### CHRIST CHURCH, ROXBURY.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families added—anew 2; by removal 2; lost by removal 1; present number 67; baptisms—adults 2; infants and children 13; whole No. 15; marriages 5; burials 4; communicants added anew 4; by removal 3; lost by removal 5; deaths 1; present No. 57; Sunday Scholars and catechumens 51; contributions—missionary and charitable, about \$35. Besides this, members of the Parish have secured a parsonage by subscriptions to the amount of \$1,300, which promises greater permanency to the welfare of the Parish.

I have continued services in this Church on one half of the Sundays during the year, and in the Summer the Church has been opened for services on the other half by lay reading.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families added by removal 1; present No. 32; baptism—1 infant; communicants added by removal 1; lost by death 2; present No. 37; catechumens 27; burials 5; contributions—missionary and charitable, about \$15. Besides this, the Parish has raised about \$500 for the repairs of the Church edifice.

I have continued services in this Church one half of the Sundays during the past year till Easter, since which time services have been suspended in consequence of the repairs of the Church. The prospects of this Parish are far from discouraging.

## UNION CHURCH, HITCHCOCKVILLE.

REV. WM. H. FRISBIE, MINISTER.

Families 22; baptisms—infants 1; adults 0; confirmed 3; communicants—added anew 3; lost 0; whole number 22; burials 2; Sunday School Scholars 15, under the charge and instruction of the Minister; contributions \$15 75; churching gift 50 cts.; \$4 was applied to the Christian Knowledge Society; \$3 to the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, and the remainder to Parish purposes.

The state of the Parish is much the same as last year. We have no reason to be greatly discouraged. Services have been held on every other Lord's day. During the Summer a third service is held in the Church on those Sundays when the Church is not open at its regular hours.

The Festivals and Fasts have not been disregarded. The order of events especially as connected with the Saviour's life, has been plainly and often held forth.

## CHRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON.

REV. WM. HENRY FRISBIE, MINISTER.

Reports that he had charge of this Parish from Trinity Sunday, 1845, to Easter, 1846. In the absence of the records of the Parish, he is unable to give an accurate report of the number of families, and communicants. There have been baptisms 1; marriages 1; deaths 3; 2 of them were of aged communicants.

So distant is my residence from this Parish, that it was with great satisfaction that I was enabled to resign the charge at Easter into the hands of a Clergyman who resides in the place. I could not perform the Parish duty which is indispensable to their prosperity.

The Parish commenced this year with a stronger heart than the last, having made a successful effort to clear themselves of a long standing debt which, though small in itself, was a grievous burden to the little number on whom its weight fell.

Since Easter, I have officiated as a Missionary in Winchester, (Winsted Society,) half the time. Our congregation is fully up to our accommodations. We greatly need a Church there. This want seems to be the only obstacle in the way of our success. There is no convenient place of meeting.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.

REV. SAMUEL FULLER, D. D., RECTOR.

Families 100; baptisms—infants 17, adults 4, total 21; confirmed 13; communicants—added by removal from other cures 12, by first communion 11, lost by death 1, by removal 7, present number 126; marriages 5; burials 10; Sunday School—teachers 16, pupils 85; missionary and other contributions—Christian Knowledge Society \$20, Domestic Missions \$23 90, Foreign Missions \$20, Parish objects \$31 07, total \$94 97.

Having been compelled by protracted ill health to resign in May, 1845, the Milnor Professorship of Systematic Divinity in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, at Gambier, and to leave the West, I accepted an invitation to the cure in Litchfield, which I had held from 1832 to 1837, recommenced my labors in St. Michael's Church, on Sunday the 27th of

July, and was instituted into the Rectorship, on the 17th of September, by the Rev. Dr. Holcomb.

The congregations on the Lord's Day are large; and would be larger, were there more free seats; the Sunday School was continued during the winter months, and the attendance and proficiency of the pupils have been encouraging; both the Parochial and Sunday School Libraries have been increased; and while the Parish has suffered by repeated removals, it has been strengthened by the addition of several valuable families.

Among the adults baptized were two young men in their last sickness, and a woman aged 80 years. Besides the monthly celebrations, when the missionary and other contributions are taken from the whole congregation, the Holy Communion has been several times administered to the sick in private.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON.**

**REV. H. V. GARDNER, DEACON,**

Respectfully reports to his Bishop, that since his ordination in August last, up to Easter, 1846, he officiated a short time for the Rev. Mr. Foote, of Roxbury, and for about six months preceding Easter, as Assistant Minister of St. Peter's, Plymouth: during which time he performed, or assisted in performing, the services of the Church 91 times; preached 61 times; baptized 1 infant, and officiated in receiving "into the congregation of Christ's flock" 1 child which had previously received private baptism; solemnized 1 marriage; buried 2 infants and 2 adults; and assisted several times in administering the Holy Communion.

The Minister of Christ Church, Harwinton, would farther report, that since the commencement of his labors in that Parish, he has officiated there on every alternate Sunday: during which time he has attended the funeral of one person. For statistical information, he would refer to the report of the Rev. Mr. Frisbie.

The temporal interest of this Parish is better than it has been for many years; and the harmony which prevails, as well as the very good attendance on the clerical and lay services, speaks well for its spiritual prosperity.

### **ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.**

**REV. H. V. GARDNER, MINISTER,**

Would respectfully report, that, since Easter last, he has officiated in said Parish on every alternate Sunday. For statistical information he would refer to the report of the Rev. J. M. Guion.

Things in this Parish, at present, look very encouraging; and from what is now seen, we have reason to hope that its temporal and spiritual interests will continue to advance.

### **ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH, EAST HADDAM.**

**REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.**

Families about 68; baptisms—children 3; burials 5; communicants—added 4, removed or lost by death 10, present number 78. Monthly collections are taken in this Parish, and the funds so raised are devoted to various religious objects. This Parish is small, but continues active and prosperous.



## CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

REV. F. J. GOODWIN, RECTOR.

The Rector of this Parish reports, that he entered upon his duties the 13th Sunday after Trinity, August 17th, 1845. There have been baptisms—1 adult, and 18 infants, total 19; confirmed 23; communicants—new 9, removed into the Parish 5, removed from the Parish 3, died 1, present number, it is believed about 125; marriages 2; burials 9; Sunday School—teachers 13, scholars 60; contributions—for Domestic Missions \$64, Foreign Missions \$25, Christian Knowledge Society \$10, Church Scholarship Society \$6 25. To these may be added towards a debt of the Parish \$400; Sunday School of the same \$41, Communion alms \$100 76, Parochial purposes \$13 50. To this last object the Ladies Missionary Society have appropriated \$34 25, and to Domestic Missions \$35. A few ladies have also given \$11 for the Church in Illinois. Total \$740 75. I would here state, that by the will of the late Miss Fanny Alsop, formerly a communicant of this Parish, there has been given to the Church the sum of \$1000, to be applied, by the terms of the bequest, towards liquidating the debt of the Church. During the past year, there has also been given to the Church, a beautiful Baptismal Font, by the late Mr. Townsend Wey.

Divine service has been celebrated twice on Sundays and during five months on Friday evenings, during Passion Week every day. The service of the Church has also been performed and a sermon delivered on Thanksgiving day, on Christmas day, on the Festivals of the Circumcision and the Epiphany, on Ash Wednesday, twice on Good Friday, and once on Ascension day. The Holy Communion is usually administered the first Sunday of every month. The present condition of the Parish, in many respects is encouraging. There have, it is true, been lost to us three families by removal, several others however have been added to our number. In all that has been accomplished, in the increase and harmony of the congregation, and the growing seriousness of the people, the Rector finds abundant cause for encouragement and gratitude.

REV. JOHN M. GUION.

I resigned the Rectorship of St. Mark's Church, New Britain, on the 20th December last, since which date my services have been rendered to destitute Parishes wherever required. I have officiated in New Britain twice, three times in Bristol, and since June, 1845, once a fortnight in St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, until Easter, when the Parish were enabled to secure the services of their present Pastor. I have solemnized the marriage rite three times in St. Mark's Parish, and attended one funeral in St. Matthew's. This last Parish, though from various causes much depressed, I left in a state of harmony to which I am warranted in saying they had for years been strangers. In New Britain there continues a little band of pious and devoted ones struggling with praiseworthy zeal, though under many discouragements, to sustain the cause they love: for them the prayer of every Christian heart must be "for my brethren and companions' sake I will wish thee prosperity."



## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DANBURY.

REV. THOMAS T. GUION, RECTOR.

Owing to the separation of Bethel from this Parish, the number of families has been reduced to about 75 ; and the number of communicants to about 65 ; baptisms—infants 10, adults 1, total 11 ; confirmed 7 ; marriages 8 ; burials 6 ; Sunday School—scholars 45, teachers 9.

The erection of Bethel into an independent Parish, was happily consummated at Easter, and that interesting Cure has the most cordial wishes of the Rector and people of Danbury for its prosperity.

Some preliminary steps were taken last fall for the erection of a Parsonage, but the matter ended in preliminaries, and the Rector is still obliged to live in "his own his own hired house." But his confidence in the energy of his Parishioners will not allow him to suppose that the thing will be very long delayed.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON.

REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families 75 ; baptisms—children 4 ; confirmed 5 ; communicants—added by admissions 4, by removal 5, lost by death 2, by removal 5, present number 117 ; marriages 1 ; burials 6 ; Sunday School—teachers —, scholars — ; missionary and charitable contributions—General Missionary Society \$140,25, Christian Knowledge Society \$50, Church Scholarship Society (avails of ladies' industry) \$80, Pomfret \$37, Matagorda, Texas, \$15, Columbia, Tenn., \$25, Manchester \$30, total \$377,25.

No changes of special interest or importance, in the affairs of this Parish, have taken place during the past year. Its services were perhaps never so well attended. Its course, on the whole, is onward, and its prospects encouraging.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HEBRON.

REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, RECTOR.

Families 51 ; baptisms—infants 17, adults 15, whole number 32 ; confirmed 9 ; communicants—added by removal 4, anew 6, lost by removal 3, death 1, present number 34 ; marriages 2 ; burials 6 ; Sunday School—teachers 5, scholars 43 ; Bible Class consisting of 32 different members ; missionary and charitable collections \$31,66.

A new and beautiful Surplice has been procured within the past year for the use of the Church—for which, acknowledgments are due to the *Ladies*.

The size of the congregation, when the weather is not unfavorable on Sunday, the number of young persons who have received adult baptism, and the still larger number who have connected themselves with the Bible Class, together with the originating of a project (which has been carried partly into execution) of endowing the Church by a permanent fund, exhibit evidence of a gradually increasing interest among the members of this Parish within the past year, in the great concerns of religion, and a disposition to make provision for a permanent discharge among them, of the duties of the Gospel Ministry.

Occasional services have been held in the adjoining towns of Marlborough, Lebanon, and in the borders of Colchester and Salem, in each of which places there are some Episcopalians residing, who though isolated

in their location, are yet firm in their attachment to the Church, and a preference for its ministrations, when the privilege of receiving them is within their power.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.**

**REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D., RECTOR.**

Families 190; communicants 135; baptisms—children 8; marriages 5; deaths 11.

My present connection with this Parish dates back only to July of the last year, when the Rev. N. S. Richardson resigned the Rectorship, which was subsequently conferred on me. In thus resuming the permanent charge of a Parish of which I had formerly been the Rector near a quarter of a century, and which had for the seven years last preceding, enjoyed the ministrations of one, whose zealous labors were highly appreciated by the people, it was, perhaps, not surprising, that a diffidence of my own ability to discharge the duties again in an acceptable manner, should abate somewhat from the satisfaction which I could not but feel in this renewed, and to me, unexpected token of their confidence. And well am I aware, that it was the character of the people, who have never been addicted to changes in their ministering servants, from the mere love of novelty, more than any other circumstance, which led to this result. With regard to the present state of this Parish, its temporal interests appear to be in a prosperous condition. Could I say as much of their growth in grace, it would afford great satisfaction; still it must be confessed, that there are but two evident indications of that spiritual apathy, which is the natural, if not necessary consequence, of so many and long continued anti-religious tendencies, as appear likely to distinguish the age, if not the country in which we live.

### **ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.**

**REV. O. HOPSON, RECTOR.**

Families about 100; baptisms—children 2, adults 2; confirmed 1; communicants—added by removal 11, anew 2, lost by removal 5, by death 3, present number 153; marriages 11; burials 11; Sunday School—teachers 23, scholars 107; missionary and charitable contributions \$37 72.

### **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.**

**REV. KNOX HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.**

The number of regular attendants on public worship has been larger during the past year than during any year since my connection with the Parish. Efforts have been successfully made to clear the Parish from debt by voluntary subscriptions of its members, and it is now free from any incumbrance of indebtedness.

The plan of Monthly Offerings is still continued, and enables us to give aid to the various benevolent objects presented by the Church to her members for their contributions. About a hundred dollars a year are raised in this way. Benevolent individuals have contributed somewhat over a hundred more to Domestic Missions. About \$500 has been raised for the Charity Fund of Trinity College. I have admitted into the Church by baptism since my last report ten infants and two adults. I have admitted to the Holy Communion ten persons. Eight were confirmed by the Bishop

at his vivatation of the Parish. I have united in holy matrimony twelve couples. I have attended to the grave with the last offices of religion, fourteen of my brethren of the human family. Several valuable members of our Church have died, who had just entered upon the active duties of life. They died in faith, and we trust do now rest from their labors.

#### REV. ABNER JACKSON.

During a considerable portion of the past year I have rendered some assistance in the services of St. John's Church, Hartford. I have administered holy baptism to three infants in Hartford. I have officiated one Sunday at St. Gabriel's Church, Windsor.

Since the Sunday after Easter I have had charge of St. Mark's Church, New Britain.

I find in this Parish about 25 families and 29 communicants; for further particulars I refer to the report of the Rev. Mr. Guion, the late Rector.

#### CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HADDAM.

REV. S. FARMER JARVIS, D. D., RECTOR.

The Incumbent reports to the Bishop that in addition to his ordinary services at Higganum, he has several times visited and once held service in what is called Haddam Town, which is about three miles distant. As soon as it shall be decided in which of these villages an eligible site will be furnished by the inhabitants, preparations for building a Church will be made. He has also visited Chester by request, has held service once, and promised to go again. An acre of ground and a generous subscription in money has been given by one spirited individual, and others have offered to contribute towards the erection of a Church. As Haddam and Chester are but six, or at most nine miles distant, should the sympathies and zeal of Churchmen be sufficiently excited to aid the Incumbent in the erection of these two Churches, Haddam and Chester may form one Cure, until they shall have sufficient strength to enjoy the administrations, each of its own Rector.

#### REV. W. JARVIS,

Reports to the Bishop, that having ascertained, by repeated trials, his inability to speak in public, and that every attempt of the kind would but aggravate the disease of his throat, has no account to render of any professional services during the past year.

#### REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

The services which I have performed since my last year's report are as follows: I have administered the Holy Communion once for Rev. Mr. Vibbert, at Fair Haven; four times for Rev. Mr. Mackay, at Westville; three times for the congregation (colored) of St. Luke's, in this city. I have also assisted the Rev. Dr. Croswell several times in the performance of the same duty. I have also baptized two infants—the one belonging to the Parish of Trinity Church, with the approbation of the Rector; the other (a colored child) to the Parish of St. Luke's.

## TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON, (LITCHFIELD.)

REV. MAAC JONES, RECTOR.

Number of families about 40; marriages 2; baptisms—infants 1; confirmations 5; communicants 56, new do. 1; funerals 2; collections 0.

A year has elapsed since March, 1845, in the arrangements of Divine Providence, when, after a resignation of nineteen years, from a spirit of ardent love and affection, and a desire to do good to this portion of the associated Episcopal Churches in Litchfield, of which I had been the Assistant Minister for many years, I was induced to resume the pastoral care of that portion of it since known and consecrated by the name of Trinity Church, by their unanimous desire and invitation. The remuneration indeed has been small; but with a longing desire that this portion of his loved flock might not be left to wander, and the short distance from his abode, he consented to become their shepherd. The worship of God (with the solitary exception of a Sabbath) has been maintained through the year; the congregation has been kept from being scattered; the singing has been of an excellent order; and a Bible Class, consisting of twenty-five scholars under the superintendence and instruction of the Pastor, and two female assistants, was commenced and continued from spring to autumn, and, it is believed, with good success. The Church has continued to the present time harmonious and undisturbed. The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge was addressed in relation to an addition to the salary; but no favorable answer was received. It is to be hoped, however, that this portion of the Holy Catholic Church will not, in coming time, be overlooked in this way. Trinity Church stands in need of this aid; but, whether she has it or not, one thing is certain, by the grace of God and the inspiration of His Holy Spirit, so long as his ministering servant is continued among them, no exertions shall be wanting, small and overlooked as it may be, to render it an ornamental part of the Church Catholic.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WESTVILLE.

REV. JAMES MACKAY, MINISTER.

I took charge of this Parish in September, 1845, soon after my predecessor, the Rev. Henry Townsend, left Connecticut for a cure in the Diocese of New York. The Parish had then enjoyed the benefit of full services only for five months. The Churchmen in Westville have since made extraordinary exertions to maintain their position; but it is evident that they are taxed beyond their ability, and I have lately recommended them to resume, if possible, their old arrangement with Trinity Church, Woodbridge, which is now vacant. The Churches in Westville and Woodbridge were formerly united under one Clergyman; and the truth is, that neither Parish is able to support full services, without more aid than is now received from the Christian Knowledge Society.

As I have hitherto been only in Deacon's orders, the Rev. Mr. Jewett has very kindly come, from time to time, and administered the Holy Communion in my Parish.

The following statistics include several official acts performed by my predecessor. Families 30; baptisms—adult 1, infants 5; communicants 49, added anew 7, removed 1, dead 1; marriages 2; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 35; contributions for charitable purposes, since September, \$21.20.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.****REV. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D., RECTOR.**

Families, about 100; baptisms—12 infants; communicants—added 12, died or removed 8, present number 198; marriages 5; burials 20; Sunday School—teachers 50, scholars 150, total 200; offerings \$146 08.

**TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.****REV. FREDERICK MILLER, RECTOR.**

Families 85; communicants—added anew 4, lost by death 1, by removal 2, present number 104; baptisms—infants 7, 1 adult; marriages 3; burials 2; Sunday School—teachers 17, scholars 75; contributions for missionary and charitable purposes \$81 13.

During the winter a third service was held in the Church on Sunday evening, in consequence of which, the Bible Class, usually of about 25 in attendance, was suspended, but it is intended soon to be resumed.

**CHRIST CHURCH, STRATFORD.****REV. JOHN MORGAN, LATE RECTOR.**

The condition of the Parish is considered not materially different from my former report.

As I resigned the Parish at the beginning of the year, my present report must necessarily be brief. Marriages 3; burials 8.

**CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.****REV. WM. F. MORGAN, RECTOR.**

Families 200; baptisms—infants 14, adults 10—24; confirmed 19; communicants—added by removal 10, anew 18, lost by death 3, by removal from the Parish 5, aggregate 202; marriages 8; burials 10; Sunday School—teachers 23, scholars 135. Missionary and charitable contributions in the aggregate \$500 26. Sunday School offering to promote education in Africa, \$33.

The same embarrassment which for several years past has retarded the growth of this Parish, still remains. There is a great deficiency of Church room, in consequence of which many are without sittings, and many excessively taxed, for such as they can obtain. The Rector is happy however in the prospect of a brighter day for the Church in Norwich. The sum of \$15,000 has been already subscribed towards the erection of a new Church, upon an eligible site in possession of the Parish, and it is hoped that by the blessing of God the corner stone of this edifice may be laid at an early day. In spiritual things this Parish has enjoyed a good measure of heavenly favour during the year, and although the Rector perceives on every hand much that is defective in faith and practice, he has yet to be grateful that he dwells among a people who in the main are sober-minded, affectionate, and liberal.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

REV. C. MURDOCH, RECTOR.

Families 82; baptisms—infants 3; communicants—added by removal 7, anew 1, lost by removal 1, by death 3, present number 130; marriages 2; deaths 9; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars about 60; monthly contributions to Missionary and other objects beyond the limits of the Parish \$50 44. It may be proper to state that during the past year the sum of \$208 has been subscribed and chiefly contributed to the charity fund of Trinity College. Also the ladies of the Parish have during the same time, by a fair, raised \$160, thus nearly liquidating the debt incurred by the purchase of an organ. The parish appears united; and in temporal matters was perhaps never more prosperous than at the present moment. Cheering would it be to see signs of equal prosperity in spiritual things.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDHAM.

REV. ABEL NICHOLS, LATE MINISTER.

I officiated in this Parish from the Sunday after Ascension, 1845, to Easter Sunday, 1846. There have been 2 adults baptized; 9 confirmed; 4 admitted to Holy Communion; 3 marriages; 2 burials; families about 50; present number of communicants 37; Sunday School—scholars 30, teachers 6; contributions—to Christian Knowledge Society \$20, Domestic Missions \$2 50. A bell has been placed in the tower which tends to the promotion of a greater regularity of the service. The Parish is believed to be in a prosperous state.

### CHRIST CHURCH, EAST HAVEN.

REV. GEORGE WARNER NICHOLS, RECTOR.

In our last report, we announced that very desirable improvements were then making in our Church edifice. These improvements have been duly completed, and we now have one of the most neat and tasteful rural churches about us: upon which there remains only a small debt of something less than \$100. After having completed this first and most essential undertaking, I fondly indulged the hope that the Parish would unite in a general, determined and vigorous effort to sustain the entire services of a resident Rector. This hope, however, has thus far been frustrated. Whether it will yet be realized remains to be seen. It could easily be accomplished with a high standard of liberality on the part of all the members of the Parish, and a fixed and zealous determination to accomplish the object. Such a step would greatly benefit the Parish by awakening liberal and Christian feeling, and would encourage the Rector to go on and labour for the spiritual good of the people committed to his charge. There is a very laudable spirit manifested on the part of the ladies of the Parish. They seem to have the interests of Zion truly at heart, and are willing to do whatever they can to promote its welfare. The spiritual condition of the Parish is on the whole favourable, though there is still room for more zeal, more devotion, in the cause of Christ and his Church. May God's blessing attend us. May the dew of His grace descend and water our souls, that they may bring forth abundantly the fruits of piety and holiness.

Statistics as follows: families 40; baptisms—adult 1, infants 3, total 4; confirmed 0; communicants—added by removal 2, added anew 4, lost by removal 4, by death 0, whole number 42; marriage 1; burials 6, of which

2 were attended by the Rev. Mr. Vibbert during my absence. Efforts are making to revive the Sunday School. Monthly offerings \$15 10. Contribution to the Christian Knowledge Society \$4.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKFIELD.

REV. H. D. NOBLE, RECTOR.

Families 70; baptisms—infants and children 7; communicants—added by removal 2, anew 8, lost by death 2, by removal 8, present number 83; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars 70; missionary and charitable contributions—monthly offerings \$66, offerings of S. S. \$7, do. of a communicant \$20, total \$93. This sum has been appropriated as follows: Domestic Missions \$40, Foreign do. \$15 50. Church in Wakeman, Ohio, \$15, Christian Knowledge Society \$14 50, Bible and Prayer Book Society \$5, Tract Society \$3. The sum of \$330 has also been given to "Trinity College Charity Fund," in addition to a donation of \$200, which was made to the same object last year.

Though the number of families reported is somewhat smaller than usual, still this is not owing to any diminution of the actual strength of the Parish, but to the fact that, heretofore, many have been reckoned as belonging to the Parish, who, strictly speaking, had no connection therewith.

The fact that the amount of the monthly offerings for the past year is larger by more than one-third, than for the year previous, it is to be hoped is an indication of an increase of missionary zeal, and of interest in the cause of Christ.

The Holy Communion has been administered monthly. During the season of Lent, the Church was open for divine service and a lecture on Wednesday evening of each week. Since Easter, a third service has usually been held on Sundays in remote sections of the Parish. Thus far these services have been attended with a degree of interest that seems to warrant the hope that, with God's blessing, they may be instrumental in turning the feet of some to the testimonies of the Lord, and in building up the Redeemer's kingdom in the hearts of his faithful people.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDHAM.

REV. A. OGDEN, MINISTER,

Would respectfully report, that from the time of his ordination, on the 6th Sunday after Trinity, to Easter, he was in charge of Trinity Church, Northfield. The report of his acts in this Parish is made by the present incumbent.

At Easter he resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Northfield, and entered upon that of St. Paul's Church, Windham. The report of this Parish is made by the former incumbent.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, RIDGEFIELD.

REV. HENRY OLMSTEAD, JR., RECTOR.

Number of families about 83; baptisms—infant 1; communicants 148; burials 1; Sunday School 30; Communion offerings \$11 06, monthly offerings \$2 07. There has also been started a subscription for the purpose of paying off the Church debt, and \$900 have been subscribed. The remain-

ing debt is but \$500, and I trust that those who have begun this good work, will not cease until it is accomplished.

On Easter last, I entered upon the discharge of the duties of my present cure. The Parish had not enjoyed the regular services of the Church for the preceding six months, and this may account for the small amount of the offerings, and the feeble condition of the Sunday School. But I believe through God's blessing we shall soon materially mend in both these particulars.

This report has less precision in its statistics than I could wish, from the fact that I have not yet been able to obtain the Parish Register from the former Rector.

### EPISCOPAL ACADEMY OF CONNECTICUT.

REV. S. B. PADDOCK, PRINCIPAL.

Since my last report to the Convention, I have been constantly engaged in the duties pertaining to the Principal of this Institution. I am happy to report that the Institution has continued to enjoy a share of the patronage of Churchmen. The whole number of pupils during the conventional year has been 76, 37 of whom have been pursuing the study of the classics, and the remainder the ordinary and higher branches of an English education. In accordance with the great object of the Founders of the Institution, and with my own sense of duty, it has been my endeavor to unite with a thorough training of the intellect, moral and religious culture. For this purpose, frequent opportunities are taken to instill right principles of action into the minds of the pupils, and a lecture given in the Academy every Sunday evening, specially for their benefit.

In addition to the duties peculiar to my office as Principal, I have preached on several occasions for my clerical brethren, and officiated at three funerals.

### CHRIST CHURCH, POMFRET.

REV. ROSWELL PARK, RECTOR.

Families 20; baptisms—adult 4, infant 6, total 10; confirmed 6; communicants—added by removal 3, by profession 5, lost by removal 6, by death 1, present number 33; marriages 0; funerals 2; Sunday School—teachers 4, scholars 23; missionary contributions—Domestic \$8, Foreign \$2; parochial charity \$7, total oblations \$17.

The most important event in the history of this little Parish during the past year, is the erection of a parsonage, which is now occupied by the Rector, and has enabled him to receive several pupils in the higher branches of study. The cost of this building has been about \$1200, on which a debt still remains of \$140, besides \$100 expended thereon by the Rector, to fit it for its present uses. To accommodate his pupils with a school room and workshop, and to provide sheds for those attending Church, the Rector has put up an additional building, at an expense of \$260, to become the property of the Parish as soon as it shall have paid for the same. Meanwhile, the salary which the Parish can now be induced to raise, is only \$180 in addition to the use of the Rectory. Under these circumstances the aid of the Christian Knowledge Society for another year is earnestly solicited, to sustain the Rector in his arduous undertakings.



## HARTFORD COUNTY.

REV. WM. PAYNE, MISSIONARY,

Reports to the Bishop that since the last Convention he has confined his labors chiefly to Windsor and Farmington.

• At the former place, in the Parish of St. Gabriel's, where he has officiated one half of the time, there is no material change in the number of families, communicants, &c., since the last report. At Easter the Parish made a very commendable effort to secure his services as a resident Clergyman for the ensuing year; but he was under the necessity of declining the offer. He hopes that they will soon transfer the call to some other person, under whose constant ministrations the Parish can undoubtedly be built up so as to rank among the strongest. Missionary contributions \$7.

In the town of Farmington services have been held the other half of the time. A few of these were at the centre. But it was soon found best to confine them to Unionville, a flourishing manufacturing village three miles west from the centre, on the Farmington river. Here there have been large congregations. Some fifteen or twenty families have signified their preference for the services of the Church. Ten or twelve persons are ready for confirmation. When this Holy Rite shall have been administered, the number of communicants will probably be as large as 20. Baptisms—infant 3, adult 6; marriages 2. Encouraged by these things, the Missionary has organized a Parish in the place, and it will petition for union with the Church of the Diocese, at the present Convention, by the name of "Christ Church, Unionville."

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, POQUETONNOCK.

REV. D. POTTER, LATE RECTOR.

Families 48; communicants 72, removed 9, total 63; confirmations 5; baptisms—infant 1; marriages 1; burials 5; Sabbath scholars 60, teachers 12. This report is to Easter last.

## UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

Families about 100; baptisms—infants 24, adults 6, total 30; communicants—added 3, lost by death 3, present number 82; marriages 3; burials 11; Sunday School—teachers 13, scholars 65.

During the past year the temporal condition of the Parish has improved. By the exertions of the ladies, carpets have been placed in the aisles, handsome branch candlesticks set on the desk and pulpit, and lamps hung in the Church. The attendance on Divine Service is good. The Sunday school is flourishing.

There are in the Parish, a number of families calling themselves Churchmen, embraced in the report, who expect the services of the Church on special occasions, but who pay little regard to the ordinary services of the sanctuary. The Rector would be happy were he enabled to say that the spiritual state of the Church was as healthy as its outward condition is promising. But it is much to be deplored that he cannot. By the diligent ministration of the word and sacraments, animated by the promises of Christ, we shall continue to look forward to the time when all our members "may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life."

## CHRIST PARISH, DERBY.

REV. N. S. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.

The Rector of this Parish resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Watertown, soon after the Convention of 1845, his resignation taking effect on the 5th Sunday after Trinity, being by a singular coincidence, precisely seven years from the commencement of his ministerial labors. During his ministry in Watertown, he administered the sacrament of baptism to 100 persons, of whom 77 were infants; 98 were admitted to the holy communion, of whom 74 were new communicants; 56 received the rite of confirmation; 42 marriages were solemnized; and the burial service was read on 84 occasions; the gross amount of charitable contributions from the Parish was \$2169.41. During the above period, some important improvements were also made in the external and internal condition of the Church edifice. For several years the pews of the Church have all been rented, and the greater part occupied by two or more families each. From this want of Church sittings, two evils have resulted. The poor of the Parish have not been furnished with suitable accommodations, while the younger members of most families have been separated in the house of God from their parents; one of the most delightful associations of the Church has been lost, the young and thoughtless have been removed from necessary restraints, and exposed to influences far from favorable to their Christian manners or morals. After a ministry of seven years among this affectionate people, whose constant and uninterrupted kindness will ever be cherished with pleasing and grateful recollection, he had the satisfaction of leaving them, a united and flourishing Parish, in the hands of their former Pastor, Rev. Dr. Holcomb. His anxious prayers will ever follow them, that they may, more and more, receive strength and grace, in that "body" which "is the fulness of Him, that filleth all in all."

He entered immediately upon his present Cure, but was unable to bestow much pastoral labor upon it, till near winter. Its most obvious wants pertained to its external condition; and to the relief of these, the energies of both Rector and people have been much directed. Some improvements in the Church edifice seemed indispensable; and to this end, a little assistance from a few of the more wealthy Parishes has been asked, and most cheerfully given. Incited by such encouragement to new efforts, the Parish have made provision for conducting the worship of God's house with more suitable propriety and solemnity. Among these improvements, in place of the decayed cupola, a new and neat spire has been built upon the Church, surmounted by the appropriate symbol of our holy and self-denying religion. An excellent bell has been provided; more recently a convenient Vestry-room has been built in the rear of the Church, and an organ of sufficient power has been purchased. The congregation worshipping in the Church has been constantly, and of late, very decidedly upon the increase. Valuable accessions have been made to our number, and, with the blessing of God, the permanence and ultimate strength of the Parish, in its present important field of labor, cannot admit of doubt.

These various improvements, made since the last Convention, have amounted (together with the ordinary expenses of the Parish,) to about \$1800, to meet which, the Parish have received, in cash, and pledges upon which they rely, about \$150 from abroad.

The Sunday School has recently been reorganized under encouraging prospects.

The statistics of the Parish are as follows:

Families 61 ; baptisms—infants 14 ; communicants—added anew 6, by removal 7, whole number 69 ; marriages 5 ; burials 9 ; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars 63 ; missionary and charitable collections are received monthly, the avails of which, (with the exception of \$10 to the Church Scholarship and Christian Knowledge Societies) have been appropriated to the library of the Sunday School, and other objects within the Parish.

The *principle* of observing the Festivals and Fasts of the Church has been recognized. In *practice*, we have come short of our duty and privilege.

The present annual report should not be closed without a tribute of respect to the memory of that good man, the senior Warden of the Parish, Capt. Thomas Vose, who, since the last Convention, has been called to rest from his labors.

May the Great Head of the Church, whose mercies to this Parish, in its external condition, deserve grateful and humble acknowledgment, still vouchsafe, what doubtless He is more willing to bestow, the inward and spiritual grace of His Holy Spirit.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.

REV. RODNEY ROSSITER, RECTOR.

Baptism—1 infant ; communicants—lost by marriage 1 ; added anew 2 ; marriages 2 ; burials 3 ; Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars about 50 ; contributions for objects not belonging to the Parish—Domestic Missions \$18, Foreign Missions \$8.

St. James', Zoar, having been unsupplied with a Rector, I have attended in it one funeral ; have preached a lecture ; administered the Lord's Supper and baptized one infant ; also administered the Holy Communion to two persons confined by sickness.

### CHRIST CHURCH, STRATFORD.

REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, RECTOR.

It being so short a time since my removal to Stratford, I am unable to report with any correctness as to the statistics of the Parish. Judging as yet, from general appearance only, I should say that the Parish seems to be in a united and prosperous state. Since entering upon the duties of my present charge, the system of monthly missionary offerings has been begun, the Sunday School has been re-commenced, and the Parish generally visited. And I have also to report 1 baptism, infant ; 1 marriage ; and 2 burials.

### TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

REV. SABURA STEBBINS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families 210 ; baptisms—infants 16, adults 1 ; communicants—added 12, lost by death 6, by removals 6, whole number 240 ; marriages 18 ; burials 26 ; Sunday School—teachers —, scholars varying from 150 to 200 ; missionary and charitable contributions about \$320.

It is with much satisfaction that the Rector is enabled to report his Parish to his Bishop, as prosperous and generally united. "Upon this rock I will build my Church ; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW CANAAN.****REV. D. H. SHORT, RECTOR.**

Number of families 52 ; baptisms—adults 1, infants 10 ; confirmed 10 ; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 12, lost by removal 10, by death 1, whole number 72 ; marriages 1 ; burials 5 ; catechists 8 ; catechumens 30 ; contribution for Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$2,53.

The present condition of this Parish is, to all appearances, highly prosperous.

Between the time of the last Convention and Easter, I officiated alternately at St. Matthew's Church, Wilton, and Christ Church, Reading. In the former Parish I baptized 5 infants ; presented for confirmation 10 ; admitted to communion 12 ; solemnized 3 marriages ; and buried 10. This Parish is still laboring under severe embarrassment in relation to its funds, and the losses by death have been so great that the Parish is unable to sustain the services of the Church.

**TRINITY CHURCH, WOODBRIDGE.****REV. JOHN D. SMITH, LATE MINISTER.**

Families about 20 ; communicants—added anew 3, present number 11 ; marriages 1 ; burials 2 ; Sunday School—teachers 5, scholars 25.

Owing to my residence at Humphreysville, I have not been able to give that attention to this Parish, which it would, and ought to enjoy, from a resident Clergyman. Since my last report I officiated in the Church, on every Lord's Day until Advent ; and from that time until Easter last, on every alternate Sunday. The ladies, by their laudable and persevering exertions, have done more to sustain services in the Parish than has been done in any other way. This Parish had fondly anticipated some aid from the Christian Knowledge Society during the past year, but as it has not as yet received any, it was thought desirable to discontinue regular services for a short time, which I hope will be resumed again soon. I have not officiated in the Parish since Easter last.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.****REV. ELI WORTHINGTON STOKES, RECTOR.**

Families 19 ; communicants—at present 25 ; baptisms—infants 7, adults 2 ; marriages 2 ; number of persons attending the Church regularly, from 40 to 60.

This is a small congregation, now on the rise, and from their regular attendance on Divine worship, in the room which they have occupied from their organization up to the present time, there is ground to warrant their success. The only thing that now appears to impede their progress, is the want of a Church edifice ; and in order to raise means to erect a place of worship, there has been a sewing society formed in the Parish, under the name of the Female Home Missionary Society, the members of which, by its stated to their credit, have done a great deal towards effecting that very laudable object, having through their exertions been able to hold a fair during the month of February last, at which they raised one hundred and fifty-eight dollars, which is now in bank, to be appropriated alone to the erection of a Church edifice. And if such an object can be effected, there

of there being a very flourishing congregation of colored Episcopalians in the city of New Haven.

Charge of this Parish on the 6th of last July; since which time the services of the Church have been continued by myself on every Sunday, and for a great part of the time there have been three services on Sundays, and one service during the week, (with three exceptions) when a lay reader procured to read the Church service, with a sermon on some to the occasion. When I commenced my labors in this Parish, the Sabbath School which was organized at the commencement, was almost dead away for the want of punctual teachers. Finding therefore in this case, I immediately set about the work of raising the school, and alone I met with numerous impediments. However the Lord aided a white lady, of undoubted zeal and piety, through whose influence under God, I am happy to state, we have a tolerably fair Sunday School with every prospect of a popular increase; and through the influence of the mentioned lady, we have three white female teachers, who are present at attendance every Sunday morning, and from fifteen to twenty all of whom are Episcopalians,) with full ground to hope for a future increase. We hope, under God, that this is the beginning of a noble work which will meet with encouragement from the Christian community and more especially from the Church of which it is a branch; and which is not far distant, when from this small congregation may be gathered a multitude of firm believers, worshipping God in the true and rational faith.

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At the date of the above report, the Rector has resigned the charge, and returned to Providence, R. I., and the Parish is at present supplied by a lay reader, a white man, who is a candidate for Holy Orders.

#### ST. JOHN'S PARISH, STAMFORD.

REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D., RECTOR.

Members about 114; baptisms—infants 17, adults 2; marriages 5; Sunday School—teachers 8, scholars 51; communicants—added 7, removal 1, lost by death 4, whole number of communicants 138; missionary and charitable contributions \$138 36. Collection for the Christian Knowledge Society \$31 86.

#### — CHURCH, WESTON.

REV. D. G. TONLINSON, MINISTER.

Members that are more decidedly Church families, about 30; baptisms 1; burials 1; confirmed 3; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 51; communicants—added anew 3, by removal 1, lost by removal 2, number about 27; collection for Christian Knowledge Society —. On the 25th of Oct. 1845, the Bishop consecrated a new Church in this town in the name of Emmanuel Church. This building has been erected by the spirited and persevering exertions of a few members of the Church, aided by their good friends in Newtown, Southport, Westport, &c. May the good Lord remember them in Jesus, for their faith and zeal in erecting a house for the worship of his holy name. By the permission of the Bishop the missionary has sometime since held services in the old Church; transferring them half of the Sun-

days to the new Church, and every fourth Sunday to a school house in a distant part of the Parish.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, FAIR HAVEN.

REV. WILLIAM E. VINBERT, RECTOR.

Families 60; baptisms—infants and children 8, adult 1, total 9; confirmed 7; communicants—original number 7, added by removal 5, anew 12, lost by removal 0, by death 0, whole number 24; marriages 6; burials 2; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 36; amount of contributions for objects within the Parish \$68 80, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$10, Convention fund \$3 75, total \$82 55.

My connection with this Parish commenced a year ago last Easter, but as there was no suitable room within its limits, in which to celebrate Divine services, none were held in the Parish, until the completion and consecration of the new Church edifice, which took place on the 7th of June last. Since that time, regular services have been held on every Lord's day, on the day appointed by civil authority as a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God, on the Festival of the Nativity, on Ash Wednesday, and on Good Friday, and occasionally in the evening. In addition to the above services, the Church was opened every Wednesday and Friday during the season of Lent for Morning Prayers, and on either Wednesday or Friday evening, for Evening Prayers and a sermon. The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist has been regularly administered on the first Sunday of every month, since the ordination of the Rector to the holy order of Priest.

The attendance upon the stated services of the Church is large and encouraging, and there is every reason to believe that with the divine blessing, this will soon become a strong and flourishing Parish.

During a temporary absence of the Rector of Christ Church, East Haven, I officiated at two funerals in that Parish. I have also, by request of the Methodist society of this place, officiated at the funeral of one of their members, whose demise occurred at a time when that society was without a resident Minister.

The system of regular monthly offerings has been introduced, but as the Parish is yet in debt for nearly one third of the original cost of their new Church, the amount which has been in this way realized, has necessarily been confined, for the most part, to objects within the Parish.

The ladies connected with St. James' Parish are deserving of great praise for their unwearied exertions to advance its interests and promote its prosperity. They have with the avails of their industry, recently carpeted the Church throughout, and furnished it with the requisite number of lamps, besides providing for it numerous other necessary articles of less importance. A new bell has lately been contracted for, and will probably be received and hung in the course of a few days.

The temporal prosperity of this new Parish has been, thus far, almost unprecedented, and far beyond what its most sanguine friends could reasonably have expected. The establishment of the Church in this place was regarded by many of its warmest adherents as a doubtful experiment; but that it will succeed, with the Divine blessing upon it, there is now every reason to believe.

May the great Head of the Church so own and bless the labors of His own Divinely appointed Ministry, as to make the spiritual welfare of this portion of His vineyard, bear some proportion to the temporal prosperity which He has hitherto been pleased to bestow upon it.

## ST. PETER'S PARISH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. WM. WATSON, RECTOR.

Families 117; baptisms—infants 12, adults 8, total 20; confirmed 18; communicants—added by removal 6, anew 10, lost by removal 10, death 5, present number 246; marriages 3; burials 12; Sunday School—teachers 25, scholars 120; missionary and charitable contributions—to the Church Scholarship Society \$80, S. P. C. K. \$33, our Gen. Miss. Society \$30, in aid of the erection of the new Church at North Canaan \$70, funds on hand unappropriated \$71 32, total \$284 32.

In addition to the above statistics it is proper to add that a considerable number of the recently confirmed are now in course of preparation for their first communion to which they will soon come.

The public services celebrated in this Parish are so nearly the same as those reported last year that it is not necessary here to repeat what was then stated. Suffice it to say, that we are trying to live up to the Prayer Book by following the course of services (week day as well as Sunday,) which the Church has marked out for her children to walk in, and which must be pursued thoroughly in order to reap the full benefit of her system.

The attendance on the services of the Sanctuary is very good. At no previous time within the period during which the present incumbent has had charge of this Parish has it been better. Notwithstanding the reverses in a pecuniary way which this Parish has, in the Providence of God, been called to sustain since the last Convention, not only are our numbers kept up, but the previous measure of liberality, both for the good of the Parish and the benefit of others, has also been fully sustained. May God remember us for good now after the time that He hath plagued us, and dispose us still to make the riches of our liberality to abound, if need be, even out of our deep poverty.

## ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, MILFORD.

REV. FERDINAND E. WHITE, RECTOR.

Families 38; baptisms—infants 2, adults 3; communicants—added 3, present number 49; burials 4; weekly offerings \$23 66.

The public catechising of the children has been continued, as heretofore in the place of a Sunday School, by the Rector on each Lord's Day.

The weekly offerings do not include the alms at the Holy Communion. One half is devoted to missionary and charitable purposes; the remainder is appropriated to incidental parochial expenses. This division seemed to be required in the present weak state of the Parish. The offerings are deposited in permanent boxes at the entrance of the Church. They have not of late been as large and general as it is believed they might have been; time being doubtless required for the formation of the Christian habit of systematic charity, and few believing that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

Several members of the Parish have for some time been looking forward to the reception of the Holy Rite of Confirmation.

The Church has, as formerly, been opened on the Saints' days for both Morning and Evening Prayers. The Holy Communion has been administered monthly, and also on the Festivals of the Nativity, Easterday, Ascension, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday.

These various opportunities for the exercise of Christian devotion have so far been improved, it is trusted, by a few at least of this Parish, as to



give ground for hoping that its darker days have passed away, and that, continuing in its present unity, its strength may, under the blessing of God, surely, though slowly, increase.

The Rector would add, that the Parish of St. George's, Milford, will have before it in time to come, as it has had, valuable tokens of affectionate interest in its welfare upon the part of a former respected and beloved Pastor, the late Rev. William H. Walter; whose name will ever be associated with their recent efforts to repair and beautify the House of God, wherein he once ministered unto them the Bread of Life.

### GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

REV. J. M. WILLEY, RECTOR.

Families 38; baptisms—infants 2; communicants 35; marriages 2; burials 2.

The Rector has continued to officiate occasionally in the adjoining towns of Westbrook and Lyme.

### CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLE HADDAM.

REV. F. E. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

My labors commenced in this place in April last, some months after the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Nash. In addition to the regular service of the Church on Sunday, I hold a third service in the school house, about two miles distant from the village, when the weather is favorable; and there is uniformly a good attendance. The members of the Parish I believe are united in their exertions for the support of a Clergyman; and although they are unable to raise a full salary from the sale of the alms, yet they hope through the exertions of the Ladies' Sewing Society, and their usual help from the Christian Knowledge Society, to make up the deficiency. There is no material variation in the number of families and communicants, since the last report; and about the same number of teachers and scholars belonging to the Sunday School. Collection for the Christian Knowledge Society, \$4.72.

### CHRIST CHURCH, GREENWICH, AND EMMANUEL CHAPEL, GLENVILLE.

REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

The condition of this Parish is much the same as when reported last year. Families added 2; baptisms 5; communicants—added 3, died 4; marriages 3; burials 8; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars 80; Church offerings \$55.13.

### TRINITY CHURCH, WOLCOTTVILLE.

REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families 53; baptisms—infants 12; confirmed 4; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 8, lost by removal 1, whole number 25; marriages 5; burials 5; Sunday School—teachers 10, scholars 55; library books, 250 volumes; Bible Class, composed of young persons, the exercises of which are conducted on Sunday afternoons by the Rector of the Parish, 25 members; collection for the Christian Knowledge Society,



15. The other canonical collections have been omitted, it being thought expedient to make them at present, as the Parish needs all its resources for its own support. During the season of Lent, prayers were held on Wednesday afternoons, and discourses were delivered on Sunday mornings.

In addition to the ordinary services, Lectures have frequently been delivered in different parts of the Parish—a measure, which it is believed, has been highly beneficial.

It may be proper to state that the ladies have been unremitting in their efforts to raise funds for parochial purposes, and that it is their intention to hold a fair, to dispose of the articles which they have on hand, in the early part of July.

The Rector is happy to report, that his people are blessed with peace among themselves, and when the condition of the congregation, which has been gradually increasing in number, regularity, and a devout observance of the public services of the Church, is contrasted with what it was when the last Conventional year closed, he finds much cause for gratitude to the Giver of every "good and perfect gift," and for encouragement in the discharge of the duties of his "high calling."

#### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEW PRESTON.

The Parish is at present vacant. During the past year three have been confirmed; three couples united in holy matrimony; there have been seven funerals; Sunday Scholars about fifty. The Church is now kept open by lay reading.

EDWARD HUNT, Senior Warden.

#### SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

|                                          |   |   |   |             |
|------------------------------------------|---|---|---|-------------|
| Families in 84 Parishes,*                | - | - | - | 6367        |
| Baptisms:                                |   |   |   |             |
| do. of Infants in 66 Parishes,           | - | - | - | 597         |
| do. of Adults in 39 do.                  | - | - | - | 144         |
| do. no distinction in 4 do.              | - | - | - | 29          |
|                                          |   |   |   | <hr/> 770   |
| Confirmations in 44 Parishes,            | - | - | - | 404         |
| Communicants:                            |   |   |   |             |
| do. added by removal in 34 Parishes,     | - | - | - | 188         |
| do. do. anew in 54 Parishes,             | - | - | - | 436         |
| do. lost by removal in 37 Parishes,      | - | - | - | 242         |
| do. do. by death in 38 Parishes,         | - | - | - | 128         |
| do. present number in 78 Parishes,*      | - | - | - | 7803        |
| Marriages,                               | - | - | - | 290         |
| Burials,                                 | - | - | - | 559         |
| Sunday School:                           |   |   |   |             |
| do. Teachers,                            | - | - | - | 615         |
| do. Scholars,                            | - | - | - | 3605        |
| Missionary and Charitable Contributions, | - | - | - | \$11,758 18 |

\* In this case where there is no Report this year, the latest previous report has been consulted. But even by this method a full view cannot be presented, as from some Parishes there has never been an exact Report of the number either of *Families* or of *Communicants*.

# APPENDIX B.

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## REPORT

### OF THE

### COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS, WITH AMENDMENT,

AS ORDERED TO BE PRINTED IN THE JOURNAL FOR FINAL  
ACTION AT THE NEXT CONVENTION.

THE Committee of 1845 on the Constitution and Canons to whom were recommended the amendments of 1844 to Article VI. of the Constitution with leave to report at the present Convention, have attended to the duty assigned to them, and now report as follows :

On examining the subject of the Sixth Article, and tracing the several alterations of the Constitution from its formation in 1792, to the present date, the Committee have thought that a recurrence to the fundamental principles of the Church, rather than continual alterations as special contingencies may arise, is the better method of providing a permanent rule for our observance.

The Convention of every Diocese is composed of the Bishop, Clergy and Laity. The great rule of St. Ignatius, which has ever been observed in all parts and in all ages of the Catholic Church, "let nothing be done without the Bishop," has ever been observed in this earliest Diocese of the American Church. Connecticut has a right to congratulate herself for having preserved an entire consistency on this point from the beginning of her Ecclesiastical organization.

But with regard to the Clergy, the same unwavering consistency has not always been preserved. In the Primitive Church which had the honor of first introducing the right principles of representative government, the Clergy as Ambassadors for Christ and Stewards of God's mysteries, were considered by virtue of their office as the Bishop's Council. As regards Presbyters, "this honour," says Bingham, "was done them in regard to their authority in the Church, wherein they were considered as a sort of Ecclesiastical Senate or Council to the Bishop, who scarce did any thing of great weight and moment without asking their advice, and taking their consent, to give the greater force and authority to all public acts done in

the name of the Church. Upon which account, St. Chrysostom, and Synesius style them the Court or Sanhedrim of the Presbyters; and Cyprian, the sacred and venerable bench of the Clergy; St. Jerome and others, the Church's Senate, and the Senate of Christ; Origen, and the Author of the Constitutions, the Bishop's Counsellors, and the Council of the Church." (Ant. B. ii. c. 19, s. 7.) And again: "This was an ancient privilege of Presbyters to sit and deliberate with Bishops both in their consistorial and provincial councils. And if we ascend yet higher, we shall find matters always thus transacted in the Church *ab origine*; as appears from Ignatius, whose writings . . . . speak as much for the honour of the Presbytery, as they do for the superiority of the Episcopacy." (Ibid. § 8.) And so with regard to Deacons: "In Provincial and Consistorial synods the Deacons were sometimes allowed to give their voice, as well as the Presbyters in their own name." (Ant. B. ii. c. 20, s. 17.) "When Alexander sent forth his Circular letters to all other Bishops against Arius, he first summoned all the Presbyters and Deacons of Alexandria, and region of Mareotis, not only to hear what he had written, but also to testify their consent to it, and declare that they agreed with him in the condemnation of Arius. From whence we learn that though the deposition was properly the Bishop's act, yet to have it done with the greater solemnity, the consent both of the Presbyters and Deacons was required to it. . . . The Council of Rome that was gathered against Novatian, consisted of sixty Bishops, and many more Presbyters and Deacons. The first Council of Antioch, that was held against Paulus Somasatensis had also Presbyters and Deacons in it." (Ant. B. ii. c. 19, s. 8.) The Consistorial Synods of ancient times correspond to our Diocesan Conventions; as the Provincial Synods correspond with our General Conventions. The Clergy, therefore, both Presbyters and Deacons, sit in Convention of right, not as representatives of parishes or of seats of learning, or as Missionaries, or from any other contingency, but by virtue of their office derived from Christ.

The Laity sit in Convention as the representatives of the several parishes to which they belong; in accordance with that great principle of legislation laid down by Hooker, "that in all societies, companies and corporations what severally each shall be bound unto, it must be with all their assents ratified. . . . . *As the Laity should not hinder the Clergy's jurisdiction, so neither is it reason that the Laity's right should be abridged by the Clergy*, saith Pope Innocent. But were it so that the Clergy alone might give laws unto all the rest, forasmuch as every Estate doth desire to enlarge the bounds of their own liberties, is it not easy to see how injurious this might prove to men of other conditions? Peace and justice are maintained by preserving unto every order their right, and by keeping all Estates, as it were, in an even balance." (Eccl. Pol. B. viii. p. 3, 68, &c.) Hence it was that in the first Constitution of 1792, formed under the cognizance of the first American Bishop, the Article on the subject of representation was in the following concise form: "There shall be an Annual meeting of the Bishop, his Clergy and Lay-deputies from the several Churches of the Diocese." This continued in force thirty three years.

To know who constitute the Bishop's Clergy, it is necessary to observe that all who receive Holy Orders from him, or had received them from his predecessors in the See, are entitled to seats in Convention, unless by some act of discipline, or by having been Canonically transferred to some other diocese they have forfeited or abandoned the privilege. In like manner those who have received orders from other Bishops may, by letters dimis-

every accepted by the Bishop of this Diocese, be admitted under his jurisdiction. And in this case they become to all intents and purposes the same as if ordained by him; the Episcopate throughout the world being one, and held by the Bishops, as St. Cyprian expresses it, "in solidum," or as tenants in common. Your Committee therefore would recommend that the first clause of the Sixth Article to the words "shall be members of this Convention" be stricken out, and that the following be substituted:

"The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop, his Clergy and Lay-deputies from the several Churches of this Diocese."\*

Should this amendment be adopted, it will be necessary to amend the Ninth Article of the Constitution so as to make it accord with this alteration in the first clause of the Sixth. In conformity with the fundamental principles of the Church as stated in this report, the Standing Committee of Connecticut is composed only of Presbyters. They correspond in great measure with the Dean and Chapter of a Diocese in the Church of England; and the office is in practice confined to Presbyters, because that order in the Christian Church is properly the Bishop's Council of Advice; and as such provide with him in the last resort, for the purity and integrity of the Clerical character. In accordance therefore with the proposed amendment of the first clause of the Sixth Article, it is recommended that the Ninth should be as follows:

"The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention, and shall be composed of five presbyters. And in case of any vacancy" &c.

With regard to the Amendment of the Sixth Article proposed at the last Convention, which would insert the word "Rector" before the words "Wardens or Parish Clerk," (see Journal of 1845, p. 20) the Committee can conceive of no valid objection, but on the contrary consider the Amendment as necessary to complete the Article. All that the Convention want to know is that the Lay-delegate or delegates have been duly chosen to represent the Parish; and for this purpose they must have the testimony of some suitable person or persons present at the election. By the immemorial usage of the Church, founded on Constitutional analogies, the Rector of every parish presides ex-officio at all its meetings, as the Bishop, whose representative he is, presides ex-officio over all meetings of his Diocese. In the absence of the Rector, or when there is no Rector, the Senior Warden presides, and in his absence the Junior Warden. The Parish Clerk records the proceedings, and must therefore ex-officio be present at an election. All these officers therefore are competent to give a certificate; and as accidents may arise by which one or the other is hindered from giving it, the parish may be unrepresented if the Rector who sits in Convention ex-officio is not empowered to give the certificate required. Your committee therefore recommend that the word "Rector" be inserted in the Sixth Article of the Constitution before the words "Wardens or Parish Clerk," so that the whole of the last clause relating to the lay-representation of parishes may read as follows: "Each parish in this Diocese which shall have been received into union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention by one delegate; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed either by the *Rector*, or *Wardens*, or *Parish Clerk*.

And ~~one~~ third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of ~~the~~ Lay order shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but ~~a~~ smaller number may adjourn."

All which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS.  
AMBROSE S. TODD.  
FREDERICK HOLCOMB.  
SAMUEL H. HUNTINGTON.  
MOSES WHITE.

The foregoing Report having been accepted, the alterations were ~~severally~~ adopted as recommended, with the following addition, which was ~~proposed~~ as an Amendment and passed. The astericks denote where it is to ~~be~~ inserted, on page 62, 9th line from the top.

\* **P**rovided, however, that in the election of a Bishop, or an Assistant Bishop, ~~no~~ Clergyman shall be allowed to vote unless he shall have resided in the ~~Diocese~~ at least one year previous to said election.

# APPENDIX C.

*Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in account with WILLIAM T. LEE, Treasurer. DR.*

1845.

|          |              |                                                       |            |
|----------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| June 11. | To Cash paid | Rev. Mr. Townsend, appro. due at Easter,              | \$12 50    |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Baldwin, North Branford,                     | do. 15 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Townsend, Westville,                         | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Short, Wilton,                               | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. White, Milford,                              | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. French, Wolcott,                             | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Nichols, East Haven,                         | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Guion, New Britain,                          | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Yarrington, Glenville,                       | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Moody, Sharon,                               | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Park, Pomfret,                               | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Nash, Middle Haddam,                         | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Miller, Branford,                            | do. 12 50  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Frisbie, Barkhamsted, special,               | 37 50      |
|          | do.          | do. do. Winsted, &c.                                  | do. 78 50  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Zell, Wolcottville,                          | do. 25 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Fash, Canaan,                                | do. 37 00  |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Guion, Danbury,                              | do. 187 50 |
| July 7.  | do.          | Rev. E. J. Ives, Zoar, appro. due Easter,             | 15 60      |
| 31.      | do.          | Rev. Mr. Tomlinson, Weston,                           | do. 25 00  |
| Sept. 3. | do.          | Rev. Mr. Corbyn, Manchester and Coventry, Michaelmas, | 50 00      |
| 9.       | do.          | Rev. R. Cox, Southbury, special,                      | 46 66      |
| 13.      | do.          | Rev. Mr. Ives, Zoar, Michaelmas,                      | 15 00      |
| 23.      | do.          | Rev. Mr. Scott, Derby, for services last year,        | 25 00      |
| Oct. 3.  | do.          | Rev. Mr. Sanford, Wolcott, special app.               | 20 00      |
| 4.       | do.          | Rev. Mr. Townsend, Westville, Michael.                | 25 00      |
| 13.      | do.          | Rev. Mr. Payne, Windsor, Unionville, &c., M. and E.   | 250 00     |
| 18.      | do.          | Rev. Mr. Atwill, Bridgewater, Michael.                | 25 00      |
| Nov. 15. | do.          | Rev. Mr. Nash, Middle Haddam, do.                     | 30 00      |
| 1846.    |              |                                                       |            |
| Jan. 3.  | do.          | Rev. Mr. Guion, Danbury, special,                     | 50 00      |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Park, Pomfret, Michaelmas,                   | 25 00      |
|          | do.          | Rev. Mr. Tomlinson, Weston, do.                       | 50 00      |

(Amount carried up,)

\$1307 16

|    |                                                                                                                                        |                 |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
|    | (Amount brought up,)                                                                                                                   | \$1307 16       |
| To | Cash paid Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven, Mich.                                                                                         | 25 00           |
|    | do. loaned, (permanent fund)                                                                                                           | 367 00          |
|    | do. Rev. Mr. Corbyn, Manchester and Coven-<br>try, Easter,                                                                             | 50 00           |
| 5. | do. Rev. Mr. Guion, New Britain, Mich. and<br>Easter,                                                                                  | 37 50           |
| 3. | do. Rev. Mr. Nichols, Windham, do. do.                                                                                                 | 50 00           |
| 9. | do. Rev. Wm. Payne, for services at Union-<br>ville, from special contributions from Christ<br>Church and St. John's Church, Hartford, | 125 00          |
| .  | do. 4 shares Farmers and Mechanics Bank<br>Stock, with Permanent Fund, \$367 of<br>which was received from estate of Miss<br>Sherman,  | 400 00          |
| .  | To balance carried to new account,                                                                                                     | 179 92          |
|    |                                                                                                                                        | <hr/> \$2541 58 |

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|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 0. | By balance from old account,                                                                          | \$1256 80       |
| 1. | do. amount of collection in Christ Church, Hartford,<br>after sermon before the Society,              | 37 73           |
| 2. | do. amount received at Convention from 39 Parishes,<br>acknowledged on the Journal for 1845, page 69, | 528 38          |
| 1. | do. cash from St. John's Church, Hartford, for Hart-<br>ford County,                                  | 25 54           |
| 3. | do. cash from Christ Church, Hartford, for Hartford Co.                                               | 45 28           |
| 1. | do. dividend on two Shares Phoenix Bank Stock,                                                        | 8 00            |
| 1. | do. cash from St. Peter's Church, Cheshire, for Southbury,                                            | 3 30            |
| 2. | do. do. St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, Fairfield Co.                                                     | 15 00           |
| 3. | do. do. St. James' Church, Derby, New Haven Co.                                                       | 12 40           |
| 3. | do. do. St. Paul's Church, Brookfield, Fairfield Co.                                                  | 5 00            |
|    | do. do. St. James' Church, Danbury,                                                                   | do. 5 00        |
|    | do. do. St. Thomas' Church, Bethel,                                                                   | do. 5 00        |
|    | do. do. St. Mark's Church, New Canaan,                                                                | do. 2 00        |
|    | do. do. Emmanuel Church, Weston,                                                                      | do. 2 00        |
|    | do. do. St. Matthew's Church, Wilton,                                                                 | do. 4 08        |
|    | do. do. Christ Church, Reading,                                                                       | do. 5 32        |
|    | do. do. Christ Church, Greenwich,                                                                     | do. 10 00       |
|    | do. do. Trinity Church, Fairfield,                                                                    | do. 6 00        |
| 2. | do. do. Christ Church, Hartford, Hartford County,                                                     | 58 00           |
|    | do. do. St. James' Church, Westville, N. H. Co.                                                       | 3 00            |
| 6. | do. do. St. John's Church, Hartford,                                                                  | 20 60           |
| 5. | do. do. for dividend on 2 shares Phoenix Stock,                                                       | 8 00            |
| 1. | do. do. Christ Church, Middletown,                                                                    | 10 00           |
| 1. | do. do. Grace Church, Hamden,                                                                         | 6 53            |
| 3. | do. do. St. Paul's Church, Windham,                                                                   | 20 00           |
| 3. | do. do. Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                      | 44 01           |
| 3. | do. do. for interest on Permanent Fund,                                                               | 22 61           |
|    | do. do. loaned from Permanent Fund,                                                                   | 367 00          |
| 5. | do. do. Christ Church, Derby,                                                                         | 5 00            |
|    |                                                                                                       | <hr/> \$2541 58 |

1846.

June 8. By cash from old account,

\$179 92

E. E. Hartford, June 8th, 1846.

WILLIAM T. LEE, *Treasurer*.

*Contributions to the Christian Knowledge Society, June 9th and  
10th, 1846.*

|                                                        |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| St. James' Church, New London,                         | \$50 00      |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonnock,                       | 2 00         |
| Trinity Church, Brooklyn,                              | 10 00        |
| Christ Church, Norwich,                                | 30 00        |
| Trinity Church, Portland,                              | 20 00        |
| Christ Church, Middle Haddam,                          | 4 82         |
| St. Peter's Church, Hebron,                            | 5 00         |
| St. James' Church, Fair Haven, for N. H. Co.,          | 10 00        |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury, do.                      | 26 00        |
| do. do. do. for Wolcott, if<br>preaching is sustained, | 25 00        |
| Christ Church, Guilford, for New Haven Co.             | 5 00         |
| Christ Church, East Haven, do.                         | 4 00         |
| St. George's Church, Milford, do.                      | 1 00         |
| Christ Church, Branford, do.                           | 5 00         |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck, do.                   | 3 00         |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire, do.                      | 5 72         |
| St. James' Church, Westville, do.                      | 5 00         |
| St. John's Church, North Haven, do.                    | 2 00         |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford, do.                 | 3 00         |
| Zion Church, North Branford, do.                       | 3 00         |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport, for Derby,              | 10 00        |
| St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, for N. H. Co.            | 5 00         |
| Grace Church, Hamden, do.                              | 7 30         |
| St. Paul's Church, New Haven, do.                      | 20 00        |
| Union Church, Humphreysville, do.                      | 5 00         |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford, do.                    | 3 00         |
|                                                        | <hr/> 148 02 |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, for Fairfield Co.          | 35 52        |
| Christ Church, Stratford, do.                          | 8 00         |
| Christ Church, Westport, do.                           | 10 00        |
| St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, do.                     | 2 53         |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield, do.                         | 10 55        |
| Christ Church, Greenwich, for Glenville, do.           | 12 88        |
| St. John's Church, Stamford, do.                       | 31 86        |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield, do.                     | 9 50         |
| Trinity Church, Newtown, for Weston,                   | 20 00        |
|                                                        | <hr/> 140 84 |
| (Amount carried up,)                                   | <hr/> 410 68 |



|                                                  |           |                |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| (Amount brought forward,)                        |           | 410 68         |
| St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, Litchfield Co. | 20 01     |                |
| Trinity Church, Wolcottville,                    | do. 5 35  |                |
| Christ Church, Watertown,                        | do. 61 00 |                |
| St. John's Church, Salisbury,                    | do. 4 50  |                |
| St. Andrew's Church, New Preston,                | do. 10 59 |                |
| Christ Church, Harwinton,                        | do. 8 00  |                |
| Union Church, Hitchcockville,                    | do. 3 00  |                |
| Christ Church, Bethlem,                          | do. 12 00 |                |
| St. John's Church, Washington,                   | do. 8 65  |                |
| Christ Church, Roxbury,                          | do. 10 00 |                |
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,                    | do. 33 00 |                |
| St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,                  | do. 10 00 |                |
|                                                  |           | <hr/> 186 10   |
|                                                  |           | <hr/> \$596 78 |

# APPENDIX D.

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## CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

NEW HAVEN, June 10th, 1846.

The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting at Trinity Church.

The Report of the Board of Education was presented and accepted.

The Report of the Treasurer was also presented and accepted.

The following Officers were nominated and chosen for the ensuing year.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REV. SILAS TOTTEN, D. D.

REV. GEORGE BURGESS.

THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.

DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.

ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq.

DENISON MORGAN, Esq.

WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.

*Secretary*, REV. A. C. COXE.

*Treasurer*, JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.

### REPORT.

During the past year the Board of Education have added two individuals to the number of the Society's beneficiaries; and two have passed from under its care by receiving their first degree in Arts. One has forfeited his benefice according to a provision of the Board; and one has resigned the same on ceasing to be a student of Trinity College.

It will be seen by the reports of the Treasurer, that the contributions to the Society's funds have been considerably less, in amount, than heretofore; and the Board have been under the necessity of raising a temporary loan, to meet the drafts of the beneficiaries. Although a smaller sum than usual has been appropriated, the Society is therefore in debt.

On notes due the Society, from former beneficiaries, there have been paid 155 dollars. In one instance only, and that of a peculiar character, the Board have thought advisable to give up the notes of a reverend gentleman, on the receipt of a part payment, in conformity with a vote of the Society giving them this discretionary power.

It would be gratifying, if the Board were able, in addition to this simple account of their stewardship, to congratulate the Society on any enlargements of its operations, or of contributions to its funds, or of the number of well-qualified applicants for its aid. When we consider the improved condition of Trinity College, and the facilities it affords for the preparatory training of young men having the Holy Ministry in view; and the readiness of this Society to receive and assist any applicant bringing proper testimonials of character; and above all when we consider the great want of ministers of God's holy Word and Sacraments, it is to be deplored that so far from using the language of congratulation, we are obliged to remind our brethren, that there is much to call for regret and humiliation. While our new dioceses are continually calling for help; and while our Missionary Bishops, at home and abroad are sadly in want of fellow-laborers

under efficient their own toilsome efforts to finish their course with joy; and while the Church is every where spreading, and demanding faithful stewards of God's mysteries, to feed her growing household, it is surely no token for good, that in a Diocese well adapted to be a test of the true condition of such things, there should be a falling-off instead of a proportionable increase in the number of those whom we are called to assist. We might have less cause for regret could we flatter ourselves that our aid is less in-  
 needed, because of the competent circumstances of those who are recruiting the ministry of the Church. With great gratitude to God would we record it, if we could suppose it true, that the sons of the wealthy are in any considerable number devoting themselves to His service and glory, "who though *He* was rich, for our sakes became poor." But we fear this is yet far from being the case. Rather, we are forced to believe, that the sons of the Church, whether rich or poor, are not in any fair proportion dedicated to her ministry; and that while the harvest is greater and greater, the labourers are more alarmingly few. Whether the cause of this deficiency must be sought in the feebleness of our prayers to the Lord of the harvest; or in a deficiency of pastoral admonition on this point; or in the worldly ambition of parents for their children; or in all these combined; it perhaps becomes us not to say. Yet we may certainly express the desire that something should be done, and that speedily, to remedy this great evil, if it be not indeed a sin; and at the same time we must add our conviction that however large the number of worthy applicants for our aid may become, the spirit which will supply the men, will not be backward with the means of affording them all that can be expected from our Society.

To this earnest expression of their anxiety to see large additions to the number of our candidates for Holy Orders, the Board cannot but subjoin however we hope that the most scrupulous good faith may be preserved in the recommendation of persons desiring to become beneficiaries. It is the wish of the Board to be able to admit without hesitation any one bringing the requisite testimonial signed by a respectable clergyman; and it is hoped that a deep sympathy with this feeling on the part of the Clergy, will be uniformly exhibited in the recommendation to the Board of none but such as have, (in addition to competent intellect,) those decided religious qualifications, which alone can render the Holy Ministry an object of legitimate choice.

By order of the Board,

A. CLEVELAND COXE, *Secretary.*

HARTFORD, May 31st, 1846.

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*Church Scholarship Society in account with* JAMES M. GOODWIN,  
*Treasurer.* *DR.*

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845.

|         |                                                     |          |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------|
| July 4. | To cash paid sundry Beneficiaries from this date to |          |
|         | June 1846,                                          | \$535 00 |

846.

|          |                                                       |          |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Feb. 2.  | do. Interest paid on note discounted at Phoenix Bank, | 1 31     |
| April 3. | do. Bills Payable, paid note at Phoenix Bank,         | 125 00   |
| May 2.   | do. Expense account for postage,                      | 05       |
| June 9.  | Cash on hand to new account,                          | 137 18   |
|          |                                                       | <hr/>    |
|          |                                                       | \$798 54 |

| 1845.    |                  |                                                                                                       | CR.      |
|----------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| June 8.  | By Cash on hand, |                                                                                                       | \$39 03  |
| " 10.    | do.              | from St. James' Church, New London,                                                                   | 7 60     |
| " 11.    | do.              | do. Trinity Church, Fairfield,                                                                        | 7 00     |
| " 11.    | do.              | do. St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,                                                                  | 3 00     |
| " 12.    | do.              | do. St. James' Church, New London,                                                                    | 25 00    |
| July 14. | do.              | do. St. John's Church, Hartford,                                                                      | 15 12    |
| " 16.    | do.              | of John Kelly, repaid in part,                                                                        | 25 00    |
| " 22.    | do.              | from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                         | 23 54    |
| Oct. 1.  | do.              | do. Trinity Church, Fairfield,                                                                        | 6 00     |
| " 30.    | do.              | do. Ladies' Education and Benevolent Society of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,                         | 79 71    |
| Nov. 6.  | do.              | do. St. James' Church, New London,                                                                    | 40 00    |
| " 26.    | do.              | do. Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                          | 39 25    |
| 1846.    |                  |                                                                                                       |          |
| Feb. 2.  | do.              | for Note discounted at Phoenix Bank,                                                                  | 125 00   |
| " 2.     | do.              | of Treasurer Trinity College, on Geo. L. Foote's Notes, balance cancelled by vote Standing Committee, | 100 00   |
| Mar. 17. | do.              | from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                         | 37 46    |
| April 1. | do.              | do. St. James' Church, New London,                                                                    | 40 00    |
| " 11.    | do.              | do. Trinity Church, Fairfield,                                                                        | 5 00     |
| " 23.    | do.              | do. St. John's Church, Waterbury,                                                                     | 127 50   |
| May 4.   | do.              | do. St. John's Church, Hartford,                                                                      | 18 30    |
| " 22.    | do.              | of Sheldon Davis, repaid in part,                                                                     | 30 00    |
| June 5.  | do.              | from Christ Church, Derby,                                                                            | 5 00     |
|          |                  |                                                                                                       | <hr/>    |
|          |                  |                                                                                                       | \$798 54 |

1846.

June 9. By Cash on hand, \$137 18  
Errors excepted. June 9th, 1846.

J. M. GOODWIN, *Treasurer.*

The above account this day examined and found correct.  
HARTFORD, June 10, 1846.

SAMUEL TUDOR, *Auditor.*

## SYNOPSIS OF THE ABOVE ACCOUNT.

## DR.

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Paid to Beneficiaries, | \$535 00 |
| " Interest,            | 1 31     |
| " Money borrowed,      | 125 00   |
| " Expenses,            | 05       |
| " Cash on hand,        | 137 18   |
|                        | <hr/>    |
|                        | \$798 54 |

## CR.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Cash on hand,            | 39 03    |
| Donations,               | 479 51   |
| Paid money borrowed,     | 125 00   |
| Repaid by Beneficiaries, | 155 00   |
|                          | <hr/>    |
|                          | \$798 54 |

# APPENDIX E.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Diocese of Connecticut in account with WM. T. LEE, Treasurer. DR.*

1845.

|          |                                                                                                                           |        |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| June 10. | To balance from old account,                                                                                              | \$3 21 |
| 12.      | To amount paid S. Babcock's bill, Blank Certificates, for Dr. Crosswell,                                                  | 2 50   |
|          | To amount paid Rev. E. E. Beardsley's bill, postage, to date,                                                             | 1 04   |
|          | To cash paid Pelton's bill, printing specifications for use of Ecclesiastical Court, at the trial of Rev. E. W. Wiltbank, | 1 50   |
| July 8.  | To amount paid H. S. Parsons & Co. for printing Journal, &c., per order Rev. E. E. Beardsley,                             | 124 84 |
| Aug. 28. | To cash advanced on account of expenses of the next General Convention, per order Rev. E. E. Beardsley,                   | 50 00  |

1846.

|         |                                    |          |
|---------|------------------------------------|----------|
| June 8. | To Balance carried to new account, | 32 91    |
|         |                                    | <hr/>    |
|         |                                    | \$216 00 |

CR.

1845.

|          |                                                           |          |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| June 12. | By cash received at Convention from sixty-three Parishes, | \$216 00 |
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1846.

|         |                                      |         |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| June 8. | By balance on hand from old account, | \$32 91 |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------|

E. E. Hartford, June 8th, 1846.

WILLIAM. T. LEE, *Treasurer.*

*The following Parishes have paid their Assessments to the Convention Fund for 1846, required by Canon II.*

|                                |   |   |   |   |       |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-------|
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,    | - | - | - | - | 4 50  |
| Christ Church, Greenwich,      | - | - | - | - | 3 75  |
| St. James' Church, Fair Haven, | - | - | - | - | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Bethlem.        | - | - | - | - | 1 87½ |
| St. Mark's Church, Newtown,    | - | - | - | - | 3 00  |

|                                              |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Union Church, Humphreysville, - - - -        | 2 75  |
| St. James' Church, New London, - - - -       | 5 62½ |
| Christ Church, Middletown, - - - -           | 5 25  |
| St. John's Church, Stamford, - - - -         | 4 50  |
| St. Thomas' Church, Bethel, - - - -          | 3 75  |
| St. Andrew's Church, New Preston, - - - -    | 1 87½ |
| Trinity Church, Northfield, - - - -          | 1 87½ |
| St. James' Church, Birmingham, - - - -       | 6 00  |
| St. James' Church, Danbury, - - - -          | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Guilford, - - - -             | 3 75  |
| St. George's Church, Milford, - - - -        | 2 25  |
| St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield, - - - -    | 3 75  |
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, - - - -        | 4 87½ |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck, - - - -     | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, East Haven, - - - -           | 1 50  |
| Emmanuel Church, Weston, - - - -             | 75    |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonnock, - - - -     | 3 00  |
| St. Peter's Church, Monroe, - - - -          | 2 00  |
| Christ Church, Roxbury, - - - -              | 1 50  |
| Trinity Church, Brooklyn, - - - -            | 2 25  |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford, - - - -   | 1 25  |
| Union Church, Killingworth, - - - -          | 37½   |
| Zion Church, North Branford, - - - -         | 37½   |
| St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth, - - - - | 1 50  |
| Union Church, Hitchcockville, - - - -        | 1 50  |
| St. Mark's Church, New Britain, - - - -      | 1 50  |
| Trinity Church, Bristol, - - - -             | 3 00  |
| Christ Church, Harwinton, - - - -            | 1 69  |
| Christ Church, Stratford, - - - -            | 3 75  |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire, - - - -        | 3 37½ |
| Grace Church, Saybrook, - - - -              | 3 75  |
| St. James' Church, Westville, - - - -        | 3 00  |
| St. John's Church, North Haven, - - - -      | 1 00  |
| Christ Church, Westport, - - - -             | 3 75  |
| Christ Church, Watertown, - - - -            | 4 50  |
| Christ Church, Hartford, - - - -             | 9 00  |
| St. John's Church, Essex, - - - -            | 2 50  |
| Trinity Church, Portland, - - - -            | 5 25  |
| St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, - - - -      | 3 75  |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport, - - - -       | 7 50  |
| Christ Church, Norwich, - - - -              | 7 50  |
| Christ Church, Derby, - - - -                | 3 75  |
| St. Paul's Church, New Haven, - - - -        | 11 25 |
| Christ Church, Middle Haddam, - - - -        | 2 50  |
| St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, - - - -        | 3 75  |
| Trinity Church, Branford, - - - -            | 3 00  |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield, - - - -       | 3 75  |
| St. Paul's Church, Windham, - - - -          | 3 00  |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield, - - - -           | 4 50  |
| Trinity Church, Newtown, - - - -             | 4 87½ |
| Christ Church, Trumbull, - - - -             | 3 00  |
| St. Peter's Church, Hebron, - - - -          | 3 00  |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford, - - - -      | 1 87½ |
| Trinity Church, New Haven, - - - -           | 9 00  |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury, - - - -        | 5 62½ |

|                                 |   |   |   |      |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---|------|
| St. Paul's Church, Woodbury,    | - | - | - | 2 00 |
| St. Paul's Church, Wallingford, | - | - | - | 3 75 |
| St. John's Church, Hartford,    | - | - | - | 7 50 |

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\$227 56

*following Parishes did not pay into the Convention Fund for the current year.*

|                           |                  |               |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| tam Falls,                | Middlebury,      | Sharon,       |
| gewater,                  | Milton,          | Salisbury,    |
| entry,                    | Newtown, (Zoar,) | Windsor,      |
| t Windsor, (W. H. Point,) | New Canaan,      | West Haven,   |
| t Haddam,                 | New Milford,     | Woodbridge,   |
| nby,                      | North Canaan,    | Wolcott,      |
| ldam,                     | Oxford,          | Wilton,       |
| nden,                     | Pomfret,         | Washington,   |
| t,                        | Reading,         | Wolcottville. |
| hfield,                   | Simsbury,        |               |
| chester,                  | Salem,           |               |

**CONSTITUTION**  
**OF THE**  
**PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,**  
**IN THE**  
**DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.**

**As Amended in Convention, October, 1836, and June, 1840.**

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**ARTICLE 1.** The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ART. 2.** There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

**ART. 3.** Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

**ART. 4.** The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

**ART. 5.** The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee, or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

**ART. 6.** The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in union with this Convention; ministers employed as missionaries under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this Diocese, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority; and ministers whose age and infirmities prevent from exercising the clerical functions; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese which shall have been received into union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention, by one delegate; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any



Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Wardens or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or Instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as, agreeably to their own rules or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Convention shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

ART. 11. A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

ART. 12. When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention, within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

ART. 13. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner:—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay Delegates; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice; provided that

two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present; otherwise, two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

**ART. 14.** Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

**ART. 15.** No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese, without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

**ART. 16.** This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the Journals of the Convention.

C A N O N S  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,  
IN THE  
DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

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**CANON I.—***Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports. (Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)*

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages, and funerals solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, and of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read, entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

**CANON II.—***Providing for the Convention Fund. (1838.)*

Several Parishes in this Diocese shall annually pay to the Convention, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one hundred dollars of their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

**III.—***Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial. (1825.)*

Lecherly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, negligence, disregard of the Constitutions and Canons of the General or

State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

**CANON IV.**—*Of the manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut :*

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H. of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided.

[Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being : five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case ; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defence on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit ; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted ; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial ; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty* or *not guilty*, according to the evidence ; and if *guilty*, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court ; and an attested copy of ~~this~~ record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *no*

*guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision: or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may in his opinion require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

**CANON V.—***Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them.* (1826.)

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

**CANON VI.—***Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee.* (1826.)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the Journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

**CANON VII.—***Concerning Parochial Collections.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

**CANON VIII.—***For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures.* (1828.)

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

**CANON IX.—Concerning Annual Parish Meetings. (1830.)**

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting; which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

**CANON X. (1838.)**

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence to the Bishop.

**CANON XI.—Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention. (1839.)**

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitution and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

**CANON XII.—Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen. (1830.)**

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

**CANON XIII.—Providing for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen. (1846.)**

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to take up a collection, either on Whitsunday, or Trinity Sunday, in each year, to be applied under the direction of the Bishop and Standing Committee, according to circumstances, and as there may seem to be an existing necessity, for the relief of aged or infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of an adequate and comfortable support.

In this appropriation special reference shall be had to such cases as are apparently Providential, and where it may appear that the necessity has resulted in any measure from the zealous endeavors of the individual to make himself useful in the cause of his Divine Master. The widows of deceased Clergymen in this Diocese, they still residing within the limits of the same, and being destitute, shall be considered as coming within the operation of this Canon.

**LIST OF THE CLERGY**  
**OF THE**  
**DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN**  
**THE CONVENTION, 1846.**

- Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D., Bishop; resi-**  
**ding at Hartford.**  
**Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rector of St. James', Birmingham.**  
**Rev. Wm. Atwill, Rector of St. Mark's, Bridgewater.**  
**Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's, North Guilford.**  
**\*Rev. Henry H. Bates, Rector of St. John's, Warehouse Point.**  
**Rev. E. Edwards Beardale, Rector of St. Peter's, Cheshire.**  
**Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.**  
**Rev. Wm. White Bronson, Rector of Christ Church, Trumbull.**  
**Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's, Wallingford.**  
**Rev. Edward C. Bull, Rector of Christ Church, Westport.**  
**Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.**  
**Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., residing at Poughkeepsie.**  
**Rev. Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.**  
**Rev. Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven.**  
**Rev. Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's, Waterbury.**  
**Rev. Jonathan Coe, 2d., Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.**  
**Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's, Bridgeport.**  
**Rev. Samuel Cooke, Rector of St. Paul's, New Haven.**  
**Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fairfield.**  
**Rev. Wm. B. Corbyn, Missionary at Manchester and Coventry.**  
**Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of St. John's, Essex.**  
**Rev. A. Cleveland Cox, Rector of St. John's, Hartford.**  
**Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.**  
**Rev. Giles H. Deshon, Rector of St. Luke's, Glastenbury.**  
**\*Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, Rector of St. Paul's, Bantam Falls.**  
**Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.**  
**Rev. Charles W. Everest, Minister of St. John's, North Haven.**  
**Rev. William Everett, Rector of St. Thomas', Bethel.**  
**Rev. Henry Fitch, Rector of St. Andrew's, Northford.**  
**Rev. George L. Forte, Rector of Christ Church, Roxbury.**  
**Rev. William H. Frisbie, Rector of Union Church, Hitchcockville.**  
**\*Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's, Litchfield.**  
**\*Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Stephen's, East Haddam.**  
**Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.**  
**Rev. George S. Gordon, Rector of St. Paul's, Huntington.**  
**Rev. Henry V. Gardner, Rector of St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and**  
**Christ Church, Harwinton,**  
**Rev. Thomas T. Guion, Rector of St. James', Danbury.**  
**Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James', New London.**

- Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Peter's, Hebron.  
 Rev. Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.  
 Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's, Naugatuck.  
 Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's, New Milford.  
 Rev. Abner Jackson, Professor in Trinity College, and Minister of St. Mark's, New Britain.  
 Rev. S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.  
 Rev. William Jarvis, residing at Portland.  
 Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.  
 Rev. Isaac Jones, Rector of Trinity Church, Milton.  
 Rev. James McKay, Rector of St. James' Church, Westville.  
 \*Rev. Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.  
 Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Norwalk.  
 \*Rev. J. D. Mead, Residing at Norwalk.  
 Rev. Frederick Miller, Jun., Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.  
 \*Rev. Martin Moody, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.  
 Rev. William F. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.  
 Rev. Cyrus Munson, Rector of St. Andrew's, Meriden.  
 Rev. Henry D. Noble, Rector St. James', Brookfield.  
 Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, officiating at Grace Church, Hamden.  
 \*Rev. G. Huntington Nichols, Rector of St. John's, Salisbury.  
 Rev. George W. Nichols, Minister of Christ Church, East Haven.  
 Rev. Abel Ogden, Minister of St. Paul's, Windham.  
 Rev. Henry Olmstead, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's, Ridgefield.  
 Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Principal Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.  
 \*Rev. Roswell Park, Rector of Christ Church, Pomfret.  
 Rev. William Payne, Missionary for Hartford County.  
 Rev. Dexter Potter, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.  
 Rev. John Purves, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.  
 Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church, Derby.  
 Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's, Monroe.  
 \*Rev. T. S. Savage, Missionary to Africa.  
 Rev. Joseph Scott, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.  
 Rev. David H. Short, Rector of St. Mark's, New Canaan.  
 Rev. John D. Smith, Minister of Trinity Church, Woodbridge.  
 \*Rev. David P. Sanford, Rector of St. Paul's, Woodbury.  
 Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.  
 Rev. A. S. Todd, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Stamford.  
 Rev. David G. Tomlinson, residing at Trumbull.  
 \*Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., President of Trinity College.  
 \*Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's, Simsbury.  
 Rev. William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's, Plymouth.  
 \*Rev. Ferdinand E. White, Rector of St. George's, Milford.  
 Rev. John M. Willey, Minister of Grace Church, Saybrook.  
 Rev. Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.  
 Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.  
 Rev. Henry Zell, Rector of Trinity Church, Wolcottville.  
 Rev. Joseph M. Wait, Minister of St. James', Poquetonnock.  
 Rev. William E. Vibbert, Rector of St. James', Fair Haven.

Total, 85.

Clergymen to whose names an asterisk (\*) is prefixed, were not present during the session of the Convention.



**CLERGYMEN NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1846.**

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| <b>Rev. A. B. Beach,</b> | <b>Rev. John Morgan,</b> |
| " G. Benton,             | " B. G. Noble,           |
| " B. Benham,             | " A. Spooner,            |
| " C. W. Bradley, N. Y.   | " S. Servilius Stocking, |
| " P. G. Clark,           | " E. W. Stokes,          |
| " C. R. Duffie,          | " G. S. White,           |
| " J. M. Guion,           | " M. Wilcox,             |
| " H. DeKoven,            | " W. Warland.            |
|                          | <b>Total, 16.</b>        |

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.**

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| <b>James G. Blair, A. B.</b>     | <b>John C. Sterling, A. B.</b>      |
| <b>Thomas M. Peters, A. B.</b>   | <b>Oliver S. Prescott,</b>          |
| <b>Charles W. Wooster, A. B.</b> | <b>Jones G. French,</b>             |
| <b>Thomas S. Preston, A. B.</b>  | <b>Timothy Wilcox,</b>              |
| <b>Joseph P. Taylor, A. B.</b>   | <b>Alexander Capron, A. B.</b>      |
| <b>George Rossiter, A. B.</b>    | <b>Robert C. Rogers, A. B. .</b>    |
| <b>John J. Brandigee, A. B.</b>  | <b>Noble Palmer, A. B.</b>          |
| <b>Francis J. Clerc, A. B.</b>   | <b>Frederick D. Harriman, A. B.</b> |
| <b>Henry Edwards, A. B.</b>      | <b>Thomas R. Pynchon, A. B.</b>     |
| <b>Joseph Brewster, A. B.</b>    | <b>Gilbert B. Hayden,</b>           |
| <b>John Betts, A. B.</b>         | <b>William Oscar Jarvis.</b>        |
|                                  | <b>Total, 22.</b>                   |

# LIST OF PARISHES

## OF THE

### PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, 1846.

#### HARTFORD COUNTY.

Hartford, { Christ Church,  
St. John's Church,  
St. James' Parish, (West Hartford.)

Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.

Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.

Granby, St. Peter's Church.

East Windsor, (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.

Southington, ——— Church.

Bristol, Trinity Church.

Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

Manchester, St. Mary's Parish.

Unionville, Christ Church.

#### WINDHAM COUNTY.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.

Pomfret, Christ Church.

Windham, St. Paul's Church.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Middletown, Christ Church.

Portland, Trinity Church.

Middle Haddam, Christ Church.

East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.

Saybrook, { Grace Church,  
St. John's Church, (Essex.)

North Killingworth, Union Church.

Haddam, Church of the Holy Trinity.

#### NEW LONDON COUNTY.

New London, St. James' Church.

Norwich, Christ Church.

Preston, (Poquetonnock,) St. James' Church.

Salem, Christ Church.

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

New Haven, { Trinity Church,  
St. Paul's Church,  
St. James' Church, (Westville,)  
St. Luke's Church, (African.)

Guilford, Christ Church.

North Guilford, St. John's Church.

Branford, Trinity Church.

North Branford, Christ Church.

East Haven, { Christ Church,  
                   { St. James' Church, (Fair Haven.)  
 North Haven, St. John's Church.  
 Northford, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.  
 Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.  
 Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Hamden, Grace Church.  
 West Haven, Christ Church.  
 Milford, St. George's Church.  
 Derby, { St. James' Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Birmingham.)  
 Humphreysville, Union Church.  
 Oxford, { St. Peter's Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Quaker's Farms.)  
 Waterbury, St. John's Church.  
 Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Church.  
 Middlebury, ——— Church.  
 Bethany, Christ Church.  
 Wolcott, All Saint's Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Stratford, Christ Church.  
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.  
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.  
 Weston, ——— Church.  
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.  
 Stamford, St. John's Church.  
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.  
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.  
 Danbury, St. James' Church.  
 Bethel, St. Thomas' Church.  
 Reading, Christ Church.  
 Newtown, { Trinity Church,  
               { St. James' Church, (Zoar.)  
 Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.  
 Huntington, St. Paul's Church.  
 Monroe, St. Peter's Church.  
 Trumbull, { Christ Church,  
               { Grace Church.  
 New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.  
 Greenwich, { Christ Church,  
                { Emmanuel Church, (Glenville.)  
 Westport, Christ Church.

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.  
 Bantam Falls, St. Paul's Church.  
 Milton, Trinity Church.  
 Northfield, Trinity Church.  
 New Milford, St. John's Church.  
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.  
 Sharon, Christ Church.

Kent, St. Andrew's Church.  
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Washington, St. John's Church.  
 Salisbury, St. John's Church.  
 Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.  
 Roxbury, Christ Church.  
 Watertown, Christ Church.  
 North Canaan, Christ Church.  
 Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church,  
                   { St. Matthew's Church.  
 Hitchcockville, Union Church.  
 Harwinton, Christ Church.  
 Wolcottville, Trinity Parish.

TOLLAND COUNTY.

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.  
 Coventry, St. Clement's Parish.

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FORM OF CERTIFICATE

OF THE APPOINTMENT OF LAY DELEGATE.

This certifies that at a meeting of the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ Church, \_\_\_\_\_,  
 duly held on \_\_\_\_\_, A. B. was appointed as Lay Delegate from said Parish,  
 to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese  
 of Connecticut, to be held at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.

Attest,

} Wardens.

Or,

\_\_\_\_\_, Parish Clerk.

[Place of date.]

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1847.

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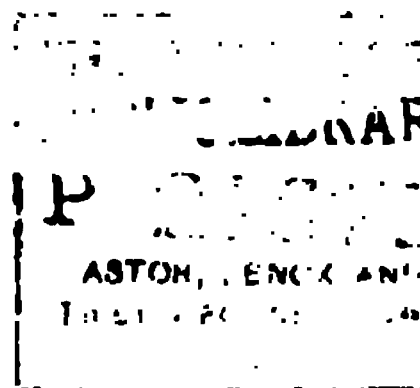
### DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT,

HELD IN CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD,

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**TUESDAY, June 8th, 1847.**

**THIS** being the day specified by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut for the meeting of the Annual Convention, a number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in Christ Church, Hartford, at 4 o'clock, P. M., by direction of the Bishop.

The Rt. Rev. **THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.** took the chair, and called the House to order.

A List of the Clergy entitled to seats was called by the Secretary of last year, and the following gentlemen answered to their names :

**THE RT. REV. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.,**

**The Rev. William B. Ashley,**

- " William Atwill,
- " David Baldwin,
- " Henry H. Bates,
- " E. Edwards Beardsley,
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- " Nathaniel E. Cornwall,
- " Joseph S. Covell,

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- " Harry Crosswell, D. D.,**
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- " Abel Nichols,**
- " George W. Nichols,**
- " G. Huntington Nichols,**
- " Abel Ogden,**
- " Seth B. Paddock,**
- " Roswell Park,**
- " William Payne,**
- " John Purves,**
- " Charles S. Putnam,**

**The Rev. Nathaniel S. Richardson,**

- “ **David P. Sanford,**
- “ **Joseph Scott,**
- “ **David H. Short,**
- “ **John D. Smith,**
- “ **S. Stebbins Stocking,**
- “ **Ambrose S. Todd, D. D.,**
- “ **Joseph P. Taylor,**
- “ **Silas Totten, D. D.,**
- “ **Ransom Warner,**
- “ **William Watson,**
- “ **Ferdinand E. White,**
- “ **Junius M. Willey,**
- “ **Frederick B. Woodward,**
- “ **Benjamin M. Yarrington,**
- “ **Henry Zell,**
- “ **William E. Vibbert.**

A constitutional quorum of the Clerical Order having been found present, the Chair proceeded to appoint the Rev. Messrs. **PAYNE, BEARDSLEY** and **WILLEY** to receive and examine the Testimonials of the Lay Delegates. They reported that the following gentlemen had been duly elected to represent their respective Parishes in this Convention.

#### HARTFORD COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Hartford.*—Dudley Buck and Hezekiah Huntington.

*St. John's Church, Hartford.*—Wm. T. Lee and F. J. Huntington.

*St. Mark's Church, New Britain.*—Noble Hills.

*St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.*—\*James T. Pratt and Samuel Taylor.

*St. John's Church, (Warehouse Point,) East Windsor.*—Levi Palmer\* and Bezaleel Sexton.

*Trinity Church, Bristol.*—Walter Williams.

*St. Mary's Church, Manchester.*—Henry C. Woodbridge.

#### WINDHAM COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, Brooklyn.*—Henry A. Dyer.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Middletown.*—Elisha S. Hubbard and Lot D. Vansands.

*Trinity Church, Portland.*—Daniel Russell and Alfred Hall.

*St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.*—Oliver Warner and Wm. Palmer, Jr.\*

*St. John's Church, Essex.*—Amos Scovell.

## NEW LONDON COUNTY.

*St. James' Church, New London.*—Charles A. Lewis and Hiram Willey.

*Christ Church, Norwich.*—Richard Adams and James L. Day.

## NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, New Haven.*—Gardner Morse\* and J. B. Kirby.

*St. Paul's Chapel, New Haven.*—James F. Babcock and John B. Robertson.

*Trinity Church, Branford.*—Levi S. Parsons and Frederick A. Holcomb.\*

*St. James' Church, Fair Haven.*—Harry Thompson and Daniel H. Brown.

*St. Andrew's Church, Northford.*—Frederick Fowler.\*

*St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.*—George Hall\* and Calvin Wooding.

*St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.*—John G. Smith and Asa J. Driggs.

*St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.*—Lemuel J. Curtiss and Ira N. Yale.\*

*St. George's Church, Milford.*—Andrew French.

*St. James' Church, Birmingham.*—Ambrose Beardsley\* and Wm. M. Hull.

*Christ Church, Derby.*—Moses White and Edward B. Crafts.\*

*St. Peter's Church, Oxford.*—William Candee.

*St. John's Church, Waterbury.*—Wm. H. Scovill and Rufus E. Hitchcock.

*St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.*—J. Peck\* and C. S. Stevens.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

*St. John's Church, Bridgeport.*—Philo C. Calhoun.

*Trinity Church, Fairfield.*—Hull Sherwood\* and J. H. Glover.

*Christ Church, Westport.*—Dennis Nash and Benj. L. Wait.\*

— *Church, Weston.*—Warren Nichols.

*St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.*—L. L. Beebe and Samuel Jarvis.  
*St. John's Church, Stamford.*—John Fergusson and J. B. Ferris.  
*St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.*—Henry Smith and Henry Smith, 2d.  
*St. James' Church, Danbury.*—Reuben Booth and Chas. Rider.\*  
*St. Thomas' Church, Bethel.*—Orrin Benedict and Clark B. Ferry.  
*St. Peter's Church, Monroe.*—Curtiss L. Bestwick.  
*Grace Church, Trumbull.*—John Burroughs.  
*St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.*—S. E. Ogden.  
*Christ Church, Greenwich.*—B. F. White and Drake Mead.\*

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

*St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.*—Samuel Church and O. S. Seymour.  
*St. Paul's Church, Bradleyville.*—Sherman Landon\* and Prentiss Parkhurst.\*  
*Trinity Church, Milton.*—Hugh P. Welch\* and Albin Guild.\*  
*Trinity Church, Northfield.*—Isaac Blakesley.  
*St. Andrew's Church, New Preston.*—Elmore Turrell.  
*St. John's Church, Salisbury.*—Charles Benton.  
*St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.*—Silas Hoadley and David D. Warner.  
*St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.*—Enos Rice.  
*Union Church, Hitchcockville.*—Jesse Ives.  
*Christ Church, Harwinton.*—Wm. Knox.\*  
*Trinity Church, Wolcottville.*—James R. Coe\* and Demas Coe.\*  
*Christ Church, Roxbury.*—Daniel Warner and Lacey Higgins.  
*Christ Church, Watertown.*—Alanson Warren and Hubert Will.  
*Christ Church, Canaan.*—John Isham.

## TOLLAND COUNTY.

*St. Peter's Church, Hebron.*—John S. Peters and Henry H. Smith.\*

The Committee also reported that they had in their hands informal Certificates in favor of gentlemen from the Parishes of Christ Church, Pomfret, and Christ Church, Greenwich.

The Report was accepted, and the requisite quorum of this latter having answered to their names, the Chair pronounced the convention to be duly organized.

\* Not present.

It was, on motion,

*Resolved*, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, to be opened with religious services as prescribed by the Constitution.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. SAMUEL COOKE, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. WM. B. ASHLEY, and the Sermon preached by the Rev. FREDERICK J. GOODWIN. The Rev. CHARLES R. FISHER, and the Rev. WILLIAM LONG, Deacons, were admitted to the Order of Priests. The BISHOP was assisted in the Service by the Rev. Dr. MEAD, who also, with the Rev. Dr. BURGESS and the Rev. F. J. GOODWIN, took part in the administration of the Holy Communion. The Candidates were presented by the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, and the Rev. FREDERICK MILLER, Jr.

The BISHOP took the chair, and called the Convention to order. The Rev. WM. PAYNE was re-elected Secretary.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That those gentlemen whose Certificates as Lay Delegates have been reported by the Committee as informal, be admitted to seats in this Convention.

D. V. W. Baldwin, and Burtis Fairchild, of Trinity Church, Newtown, and V. G. Goodwin, of Christ Church, Unionville, who had not brought their Certificates, were, on motion, admitted to seats as Delegates from their respective Parishes.

It was agreed to adopt, for the regulation of the Convention, the following

#### RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.



6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before anything new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

13. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz :

**A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.**

do. on the Constitution and Canons.

do. on Unfinished Business.

do. on Finance.

The Standing Committees required by the last of the above Rules were appointed, as follows :

*Admission of New Parishes.*—The Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D., the Rev. S. STEBBINS STOCKING, the Rev. R. A. HALLAM, WM. H. SCOVILL, Esq., B. F. WHITE, Esq.

*Constitution and Canons.*—The Rev. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., the Rev. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D., the Rev. FREDERICK HOLCOMB, D. D., RICHARD ADAMS, Esq. MOSES WHITE, Esq.

*Unfinished Business.*—The Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY, the Rev. A. C. COXE, the Rev. J. L. CLARK, F. J. HUNTINGTON, Esq., ANDREW FRENCH, M. D.

*Finance.*—The Rev. GEORGE BURGESS, D. D., the Rev. WM. WATSON, the Rev. JOHN PURVES, WM. T. LEE, Esq., JAMES F. BABCOCK, Esq.

**On motion,**

**Resolved.** That a Committee of three be appointed to ascertain and report the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled: and also to report the names of suitable persons to be nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees of this Diocese for the ensuing three years.

The Rev. Dr. MEAD, the Rev. N. E. CORNWALL, and DANIEL RUSSELL, Esq. were appointed this Committee.

**On motion,**

**Resolved,** That visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Clergymen of our own not canonically entitled to seats, and Candidates for Holy Orders, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The Rev. HENRY DEKOVEN, and the Rev. JOHN T. CUSHING, of New York, the Rev. JOHN MORGAN, of Connecticut, and THOMAS R. PYNCHON, and RUEL H. TUTTLE, Candidates for Holy Orders, were present under this Resolution.

The Rev. WM. B. ASHLEY was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Convention then listened to

### THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

**MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :**

The Providence of God has confided a portion of His Church to our more especial care; and we have assembled together to consider its condition, and to devise measures for the promotion of its welfare. May the great HEAD OF THE CHURCH preside over our deliberations, direct our counsels and bless our efforts.

In reviewing the events of the past year, though we must lament that we have ourselves fallen far short of our duty, yet we shall see much to excite our gratitude, and much to encourage our future exertions. At a period of great party excitement in the Church, nothing has occurred to mar the harmony of this Diocese. We could have wished, indeed, to see a greater degree of religious sensibility pervade our Communion, yet we have no just cause for despondency. Some new Parishes have been organised within the year, several weak Parishes have become stronger, and we trust that a wholesome degree of spirituality and zeal will be found generally to prevail.

The number of persons confirmed in the several Parishes visited during the past year has, in many of them, been somewhat smaller than usual; owing in part, perhaps, to the frequency with which visitations have latterly been held. In many of the Parishes visited no candidates for Confirmation have been presented.

Since my last report, that Holy Rite has been administered in the following Parishes, viz. :

## 1846.

|                               |    |          |
|-------------------------------|----|----------|
| Aug. 2d, at Unionville, to    | 9  | persons. |
| “ 30th, at Norwich, (Bp. Lee) | 18 | “        |
| Sept. 6th, at Glastenbury,    | 6  | “        |
| “ 22d, at North Canaan,       | 1  | “        |
| “ 23d, at Salisbury,          | 8  | “        |
| Oct. 17th, at Bethany,        | 29 | “        |
| “ 18th, at Derby,             | 14 | “        |
| “ “ at Birmingham,            | 21 | “        |
| “ 20th, at Southport,         | 17 | “        |
| “ 21st, at Stamford,          | 13 | “        |
| “ 22d, at Greenwich,          | 12 | “        |
| Nov. 1st, at Hebron,          | 11 | “        |
| “ 2d, at Windham,             | 2  | “        |
| “ 3d, at Brooklyn,            | 3  | “        |
| “ 4th, at Pomfret,            | 5  | “        |

## 1847.

|                                       |    |   |
|---------------------------------------|----|---|
| April 3d, at New Haven, (St. Paul's,) | 31 | “ |
| “ “ at Westville,                     | 2  | “ |
| “ 11th, at Hartford, (St. John's,)    | 18 | “ |
| “ 17th, at East Haddam,               | 6  | “ |
| “ 19th, at North Killingworth,        | 14 | “ |
| “ 20th, at Guilford,                  | 6  | “ |
| “ 21st, at North Guilford,            | 5  | “ |
| “ 22d, at Branford,                   | 23 | “ |
| May 2d, at Wallingford,               | 6  | “ |
| “ 16th, at Harwinton,                 | 12 | “ |
| “ “ at E. Plymouth,                   | 18 | “ |
| “ 22d, at Milford,                    | 8  | “ |
| “ 23d, at Bridgeport,                 | 17 | “ |
| “ “ at Stratford,                     | 4  | “ |
| “ 24th, at Westport,                  | 6  | “ |
| “ 25th, at New Canaan,                | 3  | “ |
| “ 26th, at Norwalk,                   | 19 | “ |
| “ 27th, at Newtown,                   | 28 | “ |
| “ 28th, at Tashua,                    | 10 | “ |
| “ “ at Birmingham,                    | 13 | “ |

**May 30th, at Hartford, (Christ Church,) 19 persons.**

**In all, 428**

Since the last Annual Convention I have admitted the following persons to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz., John J. Brandegee, A. B. in St. John's Church, Hartford, on the third day of July last; Thomas S. Preston, A. B. in the same place, on the nineteenth of July; Francis J. Clerc, A. B. in the same place, on the fifth of August; Joseph P. Taylor, A. B., and John Betts, A. B., in St. John's Church, Stamford, on the twenty-first of October; and at the request of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York, Timothy Jarvis Carter, A. B., of that Diocese, in Christ Church, Hartford, on the twenty-eighth of February.

I have also admitted to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, the Rev. James McKay, and the Rev. Henry V. Gardner, in St. John's Church, Hartford, on the seventh of August; the Rev. Abel Ogden, in St. Paul's Church, Windham, on the second of November; the Rev. David P. Sanford, in Christ Church, Hartford, on the eighth of November; the Rev. Charles S. Putnam, in Christ Church, Tashua, on the twenty-eighth of May; the Rev. Abner Jackson, in St. John's Church, Hartford, on the thirteenth of May; and this day, before the Convention, the Rev. Charles R. Fisher, and the Rev. William Long.

The Rev. Joseph M. Waite was admitted to the Holy Order of Priests, in St. John's Church, Poquetanock, by the Right Rev. Bishop Lee, on the first of September, at my request, and on my behalf.

On the ninth of August last, I instituted the Rev. William B. Corbyn into the Rectorship of St. Mary's Church, Manchester; though I regret to add, that the solemn engagements contracted between him and the Parish were of but few months' duration.

On the twenty-second of June last, I displaced the Rev. Edwin Wiltbank from the Sacred Ministry, pursuant to the provisions of the thirty-eighth Canon of the General Convention.

The following Clergymen have been received into this Diocese, on letters dimissory, since the last annual Convention, viz.—The Rev. Joshua D. Berry, from the Diocese of Kentucky; the Rev. Charles S. Putnam, and the Rev. Charles R. Fisher, from the

Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. William Long, from the Diocese of New York.

Within the same period, the following Clergymen have taken limissory letters to other Dioceses, viz. The Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie, the Rev. Thomas S. Preston, and the Rev. Henry De-Koven, to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. George C. V. Eastman, to the Diocese of New Hampshire; the Rev. William B. Corbyn, to the Diocese of Missouri; the Rev. Oliver Hopson, to the Diocese of Vermont; the Rev. William Warland, to the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. E. W. Stokes, to the Diocese of Rhode Island.

The following changes of location, among the resident Clergy of the Diocese, have taken place within the past year, viz. The Rev. William Atwill has removed from Bridgewater, to the Parish of North Canaan; the Rev. Jonathan Coe, 2nd, from Bethlem to the new Parish of Winsted; and has been succeeded in Bethlem by the Rev. William Frisbie; the Rev. Wm. Everett has resigned the Rectorship of St. Thomas', Bethel, and has been succeeded by the Rev. John Purves, lately of Humphreysville; the Rev. James McKay has removed from Westville, to the Parish of Naugatuck; the Rev. Joseph H. Nichols has accepted the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Bristol; the Rev. George W. Nichols has removed from East Haven, and accepted the charge of the Parish of Westville; the Rev. John D. Smith is officiating in the Parish of Wolcott; the Rev. David P. Sanford has removed from Woodbury to the charge of the Parishes of Oxford and Quaker's Farms; the Rev. Junius M. Willey has resigned the Parish of Grace Church, Saybrook, and has accepted the Missionary charge of a new Parish formed at Stonington; he has been succeeded at Saybrook by the Rev. John M. Guion; the Rev. Joseph M. Waite has relinquished the charge of the Parish at Poquetanock, and has been succeeded there by the Rev. Henry F. Roberts; the Rev. Joseph P. Taylor has accepted the charge of the Parish of Reading; the Rev. Francis J. Clerc has accepted the charge of the new Parish of Broad Brook; the Rev. John Betts has accepted the charge of the Parish at Monroe; the Rev. J. S. Putnam has accepted the charge of the Parish at Woodbury; the Rev. Abel Ogden has resigned the charge of St. Paul's Church, Windham, and accepted that of St. Mark's, Bridgewater;

the Rev. G. S. Gordon has resigned the charge of St. Paul's Church, Huntington; and the Rev. Abel Nichols has accepted that of Union Church, Humphreysville.

On the twenty-second of September last, I consecrated Christ Church, North Canaan, and on the fourteenth of April I consecrated Grace Church, at Broad Brook. Both these Churches are built of stone, in an appropriate style of ecclesiastical architecture, and do great credit to the zeal and public spirit of the new Parishes in which they have been erected. On the twenty-eighth of May I consecrated a new Church in Tashua, by the name of Christ Church. This edifice, though built of wood, is in the same appropriate style of architecture as the two preceding.

In publishing the Journal of the last Convention, there was an omission, through inadvertence, of the record of the Churches consecrated during the preceding year. They were as follows, viz.: St. James' Church, Fair Haven, consecrated on the seventeenth of June, 1845; Emanuel Church, in the Town of Weston, consecrated on the twenty-eighth of October in the same year; St. Mary's Church, Manchester, consecrated on the twenty-third of December in the same year, and St. Paul's Church, Wallingford, consecrated on the twenty-fourth of April, 1846.

On the thirty-first of August last, the Corner-Stone of a spacious new Church was laid at Norwich, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee of Delaware, acting on my behalf.

The following persons are now Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz.: James G. Blair, A. B., Thomas M. Peters, A. B., Charles W. Wooster, A. B., Henry Edwards, A. B., Joseph Brewster, A. B., John C. Sterling, A. B., Oliver S. Prescott, James C. French, Timothy Wilcoxon, Alexander Capron, A. B., Robert C. Rogers, A. B., Noble Palmer, A. B., Frederick D. Harriman, A. B., Thomas R. Pynchon, A. B., Gilbert B. Hayden, William O. Jarvis, Richard Green, (a man of color,) De Witt C. Loop, A. B., Nathan Merrill, A. B., Ruel H. Tuttle, A. B., John W. Birchmore, A. B., John A. Paddock, A. B., Collis J. Potter, Edward O. Flagg.

In addition to these statistics of the Diocese for the past year, it becomes my melancholy duty to record the death of the Rev. Rodney Rossiter. He had been a faithful Pastor in the Diocese for nearly thirty years, and was eminent for his modesty, single-

of mind, and freedom from all guile. Within one week from decease, his bereaved widow was called to follow to the grave. Only son, and only child, a most promising Candidate for Orders.

#### REPORT OF THE CONVENTION :

The details which I have now presented to you, in connection with the "Parochial Reports" which will shortly be laid before you, will enable you to form a just estimate of the condition and wants of the Diocese.

In the exercise of the fostering care which Providence has committed to us, I know of no instrumentality, which can be more immediately efficacious than that of the SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE. Though each Clergyman and Layman should fully perform his duty in his proper sphere, there are some portions of the Diocese which cannot be reached, and others which cannot be sustained, without special efforts, which require the combined action of the Church. The Christian Knowledge Society is peculiarly adapted to supply these wants. But its means should be greatly increased; and I commend this subject to the special consideration of the Convention. Some confusion has arisen in the administration of the affairs of the Society, from the effect of local organization and disbursements. I do not imagine that the beneficial effects of the Society have been diminished by these means; but I think some measures may be devised to facilitate a more judicious co-operation.

But the most efficacious of all means for promoting the well-being and future prosperity of the Church will be found in the proper instruction of the rising generation. And here let it be borne in mind, that this duty should be commenced, and constantly carried forward, by the Parents. I fear, Brethren, that, in this respect, there has been a sad departure from the good example of our forefathers; and that too exclusive a reliance is placed on the teachings of the Sunday School. The Sunday School is indeed excellent in its place; especially if the Catechism shall not be supplanted by more novel devices. But that parent not only neglects his duty, but loses the most abiding hold on the respect and affection of his children, who fails to impart to them a due religious instruction.

The State in which we live has made a noble provision for the elementary education of all her youth, in our Primary Schools; and it needs the combined action of the community to see that these means are properly applied. In these Primary Schools, I do not recommend a separation of the children of the Church from those of other Christian denominations. On some accounts, indeed, the measure would be desirable; but there are other considerations which render the separation of doubtful expediency. In the sparse population of our country towns, which comprise so large a portion of the State, such a separation would be impracticable. Besides, our children are to live, and act, and exercise their influence in life, if they live and act for the welfare of their fellow-men in connexion with the rest of the community. They will always, through life, be exposed to the contagion of erroneous opinions. But in their youth, they must find an antidote against such opinions in the faithful instructions of their Parents and Pastors; and in their maturer years, in their own intelligence, and the soundness of their principles. The Roman Catholics are trying the effects of this separation; but I fear they are gaining nothing by the experiment, but a defective education, religious bigotry, and mutual alienation—thus sustaining the position of strangers and foreigners in the land of their adoption or nativity. But if our children mingle with those of other denominations in the District Schools, we have a right to demand that these Schools be taught with impartiality. We have a right to demand that no sectarian principles shall be inculcated, either directly or indirectly, by falsification of history. If I am rightly informed, books are introduced into many of our District Schools, which are justly objectionable in this respect. I recommend, both to the Clergy and Laity, to take an active interest in the conducting of our District Schools, and to use their influence for the exclusion of all books of the character alluded to. If this influence should be ineffectual, an appeal must be made to the Legislature of the State, which is bound to extend equal protection to all denominations of Christians. Under the happy constitution of our country, all Christian denominations have equal rights, and are entitled to equal privileges. Under such a system, religious distinctions will naturally be multiplied; and it becomes all to exercise mutual toleration and a charitable



ference towards each other, that they may be able to unite in the adoption of such measures as shall promote the general welfare. I hope the Clergy and Laity of the Church will never withdraw from an active participation in all that relates to the regulation and improvement of the Common School system of education. I have no doubt that it is susceptible of such modifications as will render it equally acceptable to all, and equally beneficial to the whole community.

With regard to the higher Seminaries of learning, the same cooperation is not so practicable, nor indeed so desirable. Such seminaries cannot be brought to the doors of every private family, nor has the State provided any common fund for their equal support. And, as it is in these Institutions that the religious character of our youth begins to take its permanent form and impress, where several religious denominations are here seen acting each in self defence, and establishing Colleges and Academies, under influences favorable to their respective principles and preferences. Whatever conclusions we might draw from a partial reasoning, *a priori*, I think it will be found on practical inspection, that few of our youth are alienated from the Church, under the influences of the District School; but it has proved far otherwise, in regard to the higher institutions of learning, where such perversions have been of frequent occurrence. Such a result, indeed, ought naturally to be anticipated, under the powerful influence of example, and the respect which is justly yielded to intelligent and kind instructors. During this critical period, then, in the religious life of his children, every conscientious Parent should beware how he exposes them to the influence of theological opinions which he believes to be erroneous or of pernicious tendency.

In view of these considerations, Brethren, I am happy to have it in my power to recommend the EPISCOPAL ACADEMY at Cheshire, to the unqualified confidence of Churchmen. The private Institutions, too, of the Rev. Mr. EVEREST at Hamden, the Rev. Mr. FOOTE, at Roxbury, the Rev. Mr. PARK, at Pomfret, and the Rev. Mr. BERRY, at Litchfield, merit high commendation for their classical advantages, paternal superintendence, and religious influences.

TRINITY COLLEGE, in this city, has, from its foundation, been the object of our deep solicitude. The sum of forty thousand dollars, subscribed by the Churchmen of Connecticut, within the

last two years; to increase its endowments, affords convincing proof that their interest in its welfare has not abated. About one-fourth of the Clergy of this Diocese, and nearly one-tenth of all the Clergy of our Church, have been educated within the walls of this Institution; and, I trust, this is only an earnest and pledge of the benefits which it is hereafter to confer on the Church. The recent efforts which have been made to increase its usefulness cannot fail to establish for it additional claims on the confidence of Churchmen generally. The Legislature has given to it a new name of greater Ecclesiastical propriety; a new and commodious edifice has been erected, for the better accommodation of its Students; liberal additions have been made to its Library, and Philosophical Apparatus, as well as to its general endowment; a Board of Fellows, of high literary character, has been established to superintend its course of instruction and government; and a Senatus Academicus has been organized in connexion with it, which is well calculated to improve its efficiency, as well as to embody a stronger influence for its support. With all these advantages, and with a competent corps of Instructors, it can hardly fail to secure the patronage of the Churchmen of New England; and may be safely commended to the confidence of those in other parts of the country.

The CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY, as an important auxiliary to the College, and as an efficacious instrument for increasing the ranks of the Sacred Ministry, well deserves the favorable regard, and liberal support of the Church.

#### MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY:

I cannot conclude this Address, without calling your special attention to the tendencies of the time in which we live. Within the last few years, an excitement has arisen in the Church of England, which has extended its influence, in a minor degree, to the Church in this country. So far as this excitement has been connected with a zeal for religion, a desire to exhibit the true principles of the Church as disembarrassed from her connexion with State policy, and an endeavor to revive a higher standard of piety and holiness of life, the movement has not been without its beneficial effects. Unhappily some of the men who took the lead in this movement, were possessed of more

ning than wisdom, of more imagination than judgment, and are more influenced by mysticism than by solid realities. They failed to make a just discrimination between the superstitious notions of the Dark Ages, and the more simple doctrines and usages of Primitive Christianity. The result has been that, after struggling for some time in a state of transition between the Church of England and Romanism, they have at length become incorporated with their more congenial element. But that the evils of this excitement are drawing to a close; and that its better results will be an increase of religious knowledge and of practical piety.

The Church in this country is not embarrassed by any entangling alliance with the State. Its principles, as a Divine Institution, are far better understood than in England. But we have a natural sympathy with every event that affects the welfare of our Mother Church; and, in the present instance, we have not failed to participate in her excitements. A few unstable minds, after a brief oscillation, have settled down in Romanism. A few others have halted on their way, and rest contented with certain ceremonial observances, which satisfy a morbid imagination. But with us, the excitement has had its day; and the great body of the Church remains unharmed by its progress. Indeed, I doubt whether the movement here, as in England, has aided in the elucidation of Catholic truth, and in the increase of Christian piety. I hope that the panic which it has aroused in the Church, will subside as readily as the movement which produced it.

In regard to religion, Brethren, the minds of men are prone to lean to one or the other of two extremes; a fanatical Superstition on the one hand, or an infidel Rationalism on the other. The Standards of the Church constitute the true mean between these extremes; while individual members will lean towards the one or the other of them, according to the bent of their respective minds. In our own country, the great danger to Christianity lies in a widespread tendency to Rationalism. The last fifty years has witnessed a fearful progress in this direction. I trust I am not an alarmist, but if I do not greatly err in forecast, fifty years more will not elapse, before the chief controversies of the Church will be not with Sectarism but with Infidelity.

I am not certain that the freedom of our political institutions,

and the liberty of conscience which they secure to all, may not have some influence in producing this result—at least in ill-regulated minds. Under such protection, men acquire the habit of discussing all subjects with boldness: and even the sanctity of Divine Revelation will not always escape their rash speculations.

Besides, we are a nation of utilitarians. Nothing can be proposed, but the immediate question is, What useful purpose can it answer? The institutions of the Christian religion, Divine though they be, will hardly fail to be judged by this criterion. The principles upon which the various religious sects are founded, favour all these tendencies in the public mind. To justify their separation from the Church, the right of private judgment, in its utmost latitude, is strenuously maintained. Nothing is conceded to the authority of the Church; nothing to primitive usage; nothing to a long and strong chain of consentaneous testimony. With every individual, *stat pro ratione voluntas*—his own sovereign will is his arbiter. It is easy to see how the Christian religion must fare before such a tribunal.

I fear, too, that the popular views of theology, which have in succession engrossed the public mind in this country, will be in no small degree chargeable with the tendencies which we are now considering. By the Calvinistic Theology, introduced by our Pilgrim Fathers, the destiny of every individual was made to depend entirely on a sovereign decree of the ALMIGHTY. By the New Light Theology, introduced a little more than one hundred years later, it was made to depend solely on an instantaneous "change of heart," wrought by the irresistible operation of the HOLY GHOST. By the New Theology, which has sprung up in our own times, it depends on a voluntary act of each individual, without the necessary intervention of Divine grace. In all these cases, the work is instantaneous, and is an immediate transaction between each man and his MAKER. And, though the Mediation and Atonement of a SAVIOUR may be recognized, it seems hardly to be essential to either of the systems. Still less essential seem the intermediate agencies, of a Church, Ministry, and Sacraments; and that which is not deemed essential in religion soon comes to be neglected or despised. I cannot now go into a more full elucidation of these remarks; but a few pages from the

eclesiastical history of New England will, I think, fully confirm I have said.

Brethren; how unlike are these meagre systems to the religion the Bible! Under the Jewish dispensation, the child was brought into covenant with God, by the Rite of Circumcision, the eighth day from its birth. At the age of thirteen, it was brought before the Church, and then publicly took upon itself its religious obligations. The faith and piety of the nation was kept up by Prayers and Sacrifices, by Festivals and Fasts, and by a varied round of religious ceremonials. In the Christian Church, Baptism comes in the place of Circumcision. The youth are to be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. The commemorative Sacrament of the Lord's Supper has superseded the sacrifices which prefigured the Atonement. These and other instrumentalities have been provided by the great Head of the Church, to preserve the Christian faith, to sustain the piety and devotion of the Church, and to prepare it for a more perfect state of being in a future world. It is not for us to speculate and inquire what useful purpose these instrumentalities can answer, and why there should be any intervening agencies between God and His creatures. It is enough to know that Divine Revelation has ordained such a system; that God wills it so. This consideration, if it were duly weighed and felt, would put an actual check to the prevailing Rationalism of the day.

In the view, then, Brethren, of the widespread tendency to infidelity here referred to, what remains for us to do? Those who may live to see the evil days anticipated, should be preparing their armour to meet the coming controversy; and for ourselves, each one should resolve to abide firmly by the Standards of our Church. In this way only can we contend successfully for the Faith once delivered to the Saints," and preserve our union in the midst of perpetual schisms.

The Bible is assumed to be the standard of faith by all the various religious sects. But it is the Bible as interpreted by the private judgment or caprice of each and every individual. For ourselves, indeed, we receive the Bible as our ultimate standard. But it is the Bible as understood by the Primitive Church, the Bible as it is systematized, interpreted, and exemplified in our own Book of Common Prayer. Such a standard tends to union,

not to individualism. Long may it continue to bind us together in the unity of faith, and retain us in the ways of peace and righteousness.

But, Brethren, we have another strong bond of union. Every Clergyman, before his Ordination, is required to sign a declaration, by which he "solemnly engages to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church." Now according to all sound principles of Ecclesiastical law, subscription to Articles of Religion, like Oaths, are to be interpreted *in animum imponentis*—according to the will of the imposer. In the case before us, the General Convention, which frames our Canons, and virtually the whole body of the Church which sustains them, is the arbiter whose will we are bound to consult and obey. No individual Clergyman, with a good conscience, therefore, can reserve to himself the right of private interpretation, in regard to any doctrine of the Church, nor the practice of any particular ceremonial observance not countenanced by the general usage of the Church. A little reflection must convince every Clergyman of the correctness of the principle here laid down, and induce him to act in conformity to its dictates.

May the great SHEPHERD and BISHOP OF SOULS, who by the HOLY SPIRIT dwells continually with His Church, induce us all to "be like-minded, one with another." May He lead us in the paths of truth and righteousness, and restrain the progress of infidelity in our land. In our present deliberations, may He preserve us from all "error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice;" and at the last great day of account, may He, in His infinite mercy, receive us all as members of His Church triumphant.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 2½ o'clock, this afternoon.

Adjourned.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. The List of the members was called; and the minutes of the preceding meetings were read and approved.

The Rev. WM. WATSON was appointed to receive the assessments of the Parishes towards making up the deficiency in the Bishop's salary.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the last year, presented the following Report, which is entered on the Journal, in accordance with Canon VI.

*Abstract of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee from the Convention of 1846 to the Convention of 1847.*

I. In accordance with the Ninth Article of the Constitution of the Church in this Diocese, the Standing Committee appointed by the Convention of 1846 held their first meeting on Wednesday, June 10th, the day of their election, in Trinity Church, New Haven, all the members being present. The Rev. Dr. Croswell, was chosen President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary.

II. The second stated meeting was held at Hartford on Tuesday Evening, August 4th, all the members being present. Messrs. Collis J. Potter, John W. Birchmore, Nathan Merrill, John A. Paddock, DeWitt Clinton Loop and Ruel Hotchkiss Tuttle were recommended to the Bishop to be admitted Candidates for Holy Orders. Messrs. Francis J. Clerc, Joseph P. Taylor and John H. Betts were recommended for Deacon's Orders.

III. The third meeting was held, after due notice given, at the house of the President in New Haven, October 27th, 1846. Present: the Rev. Drs. Croswell, Holcomb and Jarvis, and the Rev. Mr. Hallam. Richard Green, a colored man, was recommended to the Bishop to be admitted as a Candidate for Holy Orders; and the Rev. Abel Ogden, Jr. and David P. Sanford, Deacons, were recommended to be ordered Priests.

IV. The fourth meeting was held, as the third, at New Haven, April 23d, 1847. Present: the Rev. Drs. Croswell, Mead and Jarvis, and the Rev. Mr. Hallam. Edward O. Flagg, was recommended to the Bishop, to be admitted as a Candidate for Holy Orders. Messrs. John Canfield Sterling and Thomas McClure Peters were recommended for Deacon's Orders, and the Rev. Professor Jackson, of Trinity College, and the Rev. Charles S. Putnam, Deacons, for the Order of Priests.

V. The fifth meeting was held in the Vestry Room of Christ Church, Hartford, on Tuesday, June 8th, 1847; all the members being present. According to the provisions of Canon XI., the Standing Committee first acted with the Bishop in making out the list of Clergy entitled to seats in Convention. They afterwards met by themselves and signed the testimonials of Messrs. Oliver

Sherman Prescott and Henry Edwards, recommending them to the Bishop for Deacon's Orders, and of the Rev. Charles Richmond Fisher and William Long, Deacons to be admitted Priests.

Adjourned *sine die*.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Secretary*.

Documents from several newly organized Parishes, petitioning for union with the Church in this Diocese, were presented.

It was, on motion,

*Resolved*, That these Documents be referred to the Committee on the Admission of new Parishes.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Convention now proceed to the election of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Dr. Holcomb having declined a re-election, and the ballot being completed, the following persons were declared to be elected :

STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D.

" S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D.

" WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.

" GEORGE BURGESS, D. D.

" ROBERT A. HALLAM.

The Rev. Dr. CROSWELL, Chairman of the Committee on the Admission of new Parishes, reported that they had received documentary evidence of the due formation of the Parishes of Grace Church, Broad Brook—Calvary Church, Stonington—and the Church of the Resurrection, Southbury; and recommended their admission into union with the Convention.

The Report was accepted, and the several Parishes therein named were, on motion, admitted accordingly.

Walter Phelps, of Grace Church, Broad Brook, D. B. Potter, of Calvary Church, Stonington, and Charles B. Hicox, of the Church of the Resurrection, Southbury, having presented the requisite Testimonials, took their seats as Delegates from their respective Parishes.

The Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY, Chairman of the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Unfinished Business report :

That, on page 23d of the Journal of last year, they find a Com-



be "appointed to take into consideration the subject of Common and Parochial School Education, with instructions to report to this Convention."

On the same page, they find a Committee appointed to consider and report to this Convention the expediency of printing and publishing in a pamphlet form any Documents relating to the formation and early history of the Church in this Diocese.

The Amendments to the 6th and 9th Articles of the Constitution, which were approved last year, and laid over for final action at this Convention, form also a part of the unfinished business. The record is upon page 21st of the Journal, referring to Appendix B for the Report of the Committee with the proposed alterations.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. BEARDSLEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the above Report was accepted.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, Chairman of the Committee appointed at the last Convention on Common and Parochial School Education, presented the following

### REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention "to take into consideration the subject of Common and Parochial School Education, and report thereon" to the present Convention, have given the subject such attention as they were able, and present the following Report:

In a country where the Church should embrace within its influence the mass of the population, Common Schools should be aided, no doubt, within the parochial organization. But in a Commonwealth like ours, the small proportion borne in many cases by the members of the Church to the whole population; consequent difficulty of meeting the expense of Parochial Schools; the additional difficulty of obtaining in them a sufficient relation of instruction according to the age and attainments of the pupils of a Parish; the necessity of being content at times, with inadequate teachers, where the opportunity of selection is small; the impossibility, in such a case, of satisfying parents with means of instruction inferior to those which may be enjoyed by families of their neighbors: all demonstrate the impracticability

bility of Parochial Schools, under the ordinary circumstances of the Parishes in this Diocese.

With reference to the general subject of Common Schools, it appears the obvious duty and wisdom of the members of the Church, and especially of the Clergy, to promote with activity and faithfulness their efficiency and improvement. A most beneficial influence may thus be preserved over the whole education of the community; and the principles and office of the Clergy cannot but be respected, while they labor to spread, throughout their several spheres, the best of earthly benefits, wisdom and knowledge with the fear of God.

The appointment of the present Committee arose from the suggestion that books of a sectarian tendency had found their way into some of the Common Schools, as manuals of instruction. Those which have become the subjects of discussion, were charged with partial and incorrect statements in the history of the settlement of New England; adapted to produce unjust impressions of the character and principles of the English Church at the period of the Puritan separation. As members of the same Communion, we have a right to claim that in the Common Schools nothing but the truth should be taught concerning the history of that Church, and that the truth itself should not be distorted by insidious comments. Something may be allowed to reverence for ancestors; but statements having entirely the air of a single religious school, and fitted only to confirm all its prejudices, ought not to be poured into the minds of children gathered from families of different persuasions. EMERSON'S QUESTIONS ON GOODRICH'S HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES, are written throughout in such a spirit, and should be removed from Common Schools, wherever they are now employed. In the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools for 1846, only one School Society is reported as using them; but the returns, in this point, are plainly incomplete. GOODRICH'S HISTORY itself, WHEELLEY'S COMPEND, and perhaps some others amongst the school-books which are sometimes used, contain passages which should be expunged or modified. Private remonstrance from respectable sources may often be sufficient for the removal of any obnoxious manual. Beyond each School Society, there is no other tribunal of appeal, except public sentiment or legislative authority. The evil certainly exists;

at not so extensively as the Committee had feared; and seems rather to call for a general exercise of vigilant supervision, than for any specific measure on the part of this Convention; especially as it is understood that the Legislature, now in session, have in contemplation some measures, which may possibly have bearing on this subject.

Such a supervision is also especially needful in regard to reading-books; which, by constant reiteration, must fix upon the memory the sentiments which are expressed in their contents. It is very easy, thus to introduce very erroneous and pernicious habits of thinking; and some of these books are prepared by those who hold in no reverence some of the most sacred doctrines of the Christian Revelation. Selections from writers of the same name may easily prevail in their books, until the youthful mind is attracted by error. The remedy is found in such criticism as may make it the interest of the publishers to exclude partiality and corruption; and in the preparation of manuals in a better and more devout spirit. In this task, the Committee would gladly see more of their brethren enlisted. After the remarks which have been made to-day in the Address of the Bishop, the Committee do not think it necessary to present any Resolution for the action of the Convention. But they are unwilling to close their Report without reminding the Convention that, beyond the whole sphere of secular instruction, the Christian education of children within the Church is committed to the conscientious diligence and the fervent prayers of parents themselves, of pastors, of sponsors, of Sunday School Teachers, of Christian masters and employers, and of those preceptors to whom, whether in Parochial or Family Schools, or in private seminaries, something more than the work of secular instruction has been entrusted.

GEORGE BURGESS, }  
N. S. RICHARDSON, } *Committee.*  
WM. PAYNE, }

The Report was, on motion, accepted, and the Committee discharged.

Rev. Dr. MEAD, Chairman of the Committee appointed on vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, made the following



### The Bishop received the Parochial Reports.\*

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Convention now enter upon the consideration of the Amendments to the Constitution, laid over from last year, (Jour. p. 60,) for the final action of this Convention.

After the proposed Amendments, with the accompanying Report of the Committee, had been read by the Secretary, it was

On motion,

*Resolved*, That these Amendments be the order of the day for to-morrow morning, immediately after the opening of Convention.

The Treasurer of the Convention presented his Annual Report, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society, presented his Annual Report, which was, on motion, referred to the same Committee.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 8 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. WM. B. ASHLEY. The Convention re-organized. The calling of the Roll was, on motion, dispensed with. The Minutes of yesterday afternoon were read and approved.

The proposed Amendments to the Constitution were called up as the order of the day.

It was moved to adopt the first Amendment proposed, viz:

That the first clause of the Sixth Article to the words "shall be members of this Convention," be stricken out, and the following be substituted: "*The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop, his Clergy and Lay Deputies from the several Churches of the Diocese, provided, however, that, in the election of a Bishop, or an Assistant Bishop, no Clergyman shall be allowed to vote unless he shall have resided in the Diocese at least one year previous to said election.*"

A division of the House being called for, the two Orders voted separately. The result was as follows:

CLERGY.

Yeas—14. Nays—42.

LAITY.

Yeas—6. Nays—21.

So the Amendment under consideration was rejected.

\* Appendix A.

The following Resolution was then offered for adoption at this Convention, with a view to final action at the next:

*Resolved*, That the first clause of the Sixth Article of the Constitution to the [words "shall be members of this Convention," be stricken out, and that the following be substituted: "*The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop, his Clergy and Lay Deputies from the several Churches of the Diocese.*"

After some discussion of the subject, it was,

On motion,

*Resolved*, That farther consideration of this Amendment be indefinitely postponed.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Chairman of the Committee appointed last year on Documents relating to the Church in this Diocese, made the following

### REPORT.

The Committee appointed to consider and Report at this Convention on the expediency of printing and publishing Documents relating to the first organization and early history of the Church in Connecticut, and also to inquire what Documents belonging to the Diocese may be at present in the possession of individuals, and collect the same for permanent preservation with the other Archives of the Diocese, beg leave to report as follows:

First, that there is a regular Record of the Convocation of Connecticut, which ought to be printed and published, either wholly or in part.

Secondly, that the Concordate between the first Bishop and the Bishops of the Scottish Church from whom he received his consecration is, in the opinion of your Committee, to be ever considered as an official act of intercommunion between the Churches of Scotland and Connecticut, established five years before the organization of the Church in the United States, and as such to be reckoned among "the Usages, Laws and Charters" of this Church, which are to be respected by the Church of the United States, as provided in other cases. It should, therefore, be preserved in the Archives, and a faithful copy of it published with the Records of Convocation.

It is understood by your Committee, that this Concordate is now in the possession of the grandson of the first Bishop, the Rev. Dr. Seabury of New York, who doubtless will, if requested by this Convention, restore the same to be deposited in the Archives

the Diocese, and to be placed in charge of every Bishop in succession of the See of Connecticut.

It is also understood that there are several Documents in the possession of Dr. Seabury and other individuals, which, though they do not belong of right to the Diocese, may throw light on its early story. These should, if possible, be collected, and at least placed in the Archives, if not printed and published.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend the appointment of a special Committee, who shall be authorized in the name of the Diocese, to confer with Dr. Seabury and others in relation to these objects; and as no collection or publication can be made without provision for the expenses of the same, they recommend that this Convention should authorize their Treasurer to pay to the order of such Committee, any sums in his hands not otherwise appropriated, or given for this special object, which they may find necessary to further the good designs of the Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

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| SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, | } <i>Committee:</i> |
| E. EDWARDS BEARDSLEY, |                     |
| A. B. CHAPIN,         |                     |

The Report was accepted; and it was, on motion, resolved to postpone the consideration of the recommendations therein made, till the next Convention.

The Rev. S. B. PADDOCK presented the resignation of Wm. R. MITCHELL, Esq. as a Trustee of the Episcopal Academy of Connecticut. The resignation was accepted.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention,\* and those of the Treasurer of the Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge,† with their several vouchers, and found them entirely accurate.

Wm. T. LEE, Esq. presented his resignation as a Trustee of the Episcopal Academy of Connecticut. The resignation was accepted.

The Rev. Messrs. S. B. PADDOCK, and E. E. BEARDSLEY, and RICHARD ADAMS, Esq. were appointed a Committee to nominate to the Convention suitable persons to supply vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Academy of Connecticut.

The following Resolution was offered:

\* Appendix B. † Appendix C.

*Resolved*, That this Convention has undiminished confidence in the principles on which the Mission to Constantinople was established, and commends it to the earnest prayers and efforts of the Church.

The Resolution was passed unanimously.

WM. T. LEE, Esq. presented his resignation as Treasurer of the Convention, and as Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society. The resignations were accepted.

THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq. was appointed Treasurer of the Convention.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Clergy be recommended to bring before their Parishes the provisions of Canon VII. with a view especially of securing punctual and liberal contributions to the Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge, to be appropriated according to the provisions of the Constitution of said Society.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Amendment, proposed by the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to the Sixth Article of the Constitution, (Journal 1846, p. 62,) and requiring the insertion of the word "Rector" before "Wardens or Parish Clerk," be adopted.

Mr. Jesse Tuttle presented his Certificate as Lay Delegate from the Parish of Grace Church, Hamden, and took his seat in the Convention.

Adjourned to 2½ o'clock, P. M.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. In the absence of the Bishop, the Rev. Dr. CROSWELL was called to the chair.

The following Report was presented :

#### REPORT.

The Committee appointed to enquire what, if any, vacancies exist in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Academy of Connecticut, and to nominate suitable persons to fill the same, respectfully report that they find two vacancies, and nominate the Rev. A. C. COX and the Hon. EDWARD A. CORNWALL, as Trustees of this Institution.

S. B. PADDOCK,  
E. E. BEARDSLEY,  
RICHARD ADAMS.

The Report was accepted, and the gentlemen therein nominated were appointed.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention be published and distributed, under the direction of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary.



On motion,

*Resolved*, That *five hundred* copies of the Bishop's Address, exclusive of the statistics, be printed separately from the Journal, under the Direction of the same gentlemen, and distributed with the Journals.

The Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society. After the business of that Society was transacted,\* the Convention was re-organized and resumed its proceedings.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the Session was, on request, granted to the Rev. Dr. FULLER, and the Hon. SAMUEL CHURCH.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention are due to Wm. T. LEE, Esq. for his faithful and assiduous discharge of the duties of Treasurer of the Convention and of Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Convention be directed to procure and have bound, at the expense of the same and for its use, a complete set of the Journals of this Diocese; and also a complete set of the Journals of the General Convention; and to have them, together with the Constitution and Statutes of the General Theological Seminary, laid upon the table at the next and every subsequent Convention of this Diocese.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That Canon XIII. of this Diocese be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons for verbal alterations,

The Committee made a Report which was accepted; and the Canon was, on motion, altered so as to read as follows :

### CANON XIII.

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to make a collection either on Whitsunday or Trinity Sunday, in each year, to be applied under the direction of the Bishop and Standing Committee, according to circumstances, and as there may seem to be an existing necessity, for the relief of aged or infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of an adequate and comfortable support; and also of destitute widows of Clergymen belonging to this Diocese.

In appropriations for Clergymen, special reference shall be had to cases in which it may appear that the necessity has resulted, in any measure, from the zealous endeavours of the individual to make himself useful in the cause of his Divine Master.

The following Resolution was offered:

*Resolved*, That, at the close of every future Convention of this Diocese,

\* Appendix D.

the Roll of the members be called, and the names of all persons absent, except of those who have been duly excused, shall be entered on the Journal.

The Resolution was, on motion, indefinitely postponed.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to collect, through private donations, a sum sufficient for the erection of a Monument, of suitable stability and beauty, to the memory of the first Bishop of this Diocese, to be placed, with the consent of the Vestry, within the walls of the new Church of his former Parish, St. James', New London.

The Rev. Wm. F. MORGAN, the Rev. Wm. JARVIS and RICHARD ADAMS, Esq., were appointed this Committee.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a Committee of five be appointed to carry into execution the preparation and erection of such a Monument, when a sufficient sum shall have been collected.

The following gentlemen were appointed this Committee: the Rev. Dr. JARVIS, the Rev. R. A. HALLAM, the Rev. A. C. COXE, the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, and the Rev. Dr. MEAD.

The Minutes of the morning and afternoon Sessions, were read and approved.

After singing a Psalm (the 99th Selection), and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.,

*President and Bishop of the Diocese.*

Attest, Wm. PAYNE, *Secretary.*

# APPENDIX A.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, DERBY, (BIRMINGHAM.)

THE REV. WM. BLISS ASHLEY, RECTOR.

Families 106; individuals, about 450; communicants—lost by death 5, by removal 15—20; added anew 16, by removal 2—18; present number 144; baptisms, adults 4, infants 4—8; confirmed two occasions, 32; marriages 3; burials 11; offerings and contributions—Domestic Missions \$122 60; Foreign, \$38; N. Bible and Prayer Book, and Prot. Ep. Tract Soc. \$34 80; Bible College, \$25; Diocesan Missions, \$79 60; sum total, 00.

The above, as compared with my last year's Report, shows but little change in the condition of this Parish. The great difference between the number of Confirmations, and of additions to the Communion, is explained partly by the fact, that several who have previously been admitted to the Lord's Table, and partly, that the Holy Eucharist has not been administered since the Bishop's last visitation.

I am happy to report, that our debt has been considerably reduced within the past year, and that I have secured a sinking fund, which will remove it entirely in four years from May 1, 1877.

I wish I could say that the spiritual condition of my Parish is prosperous as its temporal. But I fear I cannot. There is much apathy among us; too little self-denying zeal in the service of Christ, and His Holy Church. O that God would pour down upon us "the healthful spirit of His grace!"

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

THE REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, LATE MINISTER.

Families—removed 7, added 3, present number about 56; baptisms—infants 7; communicants—added 4, died 2, present number 42; marriages 3; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 7, pupils 31.

Notwithstanding some losses by removals, and other unfavora-

ble changes, this Parish remains vigorous and harmonious, with ample resources and advantages to facilitate its growth in knowledge and spiritual life.

### **ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KENT.**

**THE REV. WEL. ATWILL, MINISTER.**

Families 23; baptisms—infant 1, adult 2; communicants—added 2, present number 21; burials 2; marriages 1.

This Parish, although feeble in numbers, and often not a little shaken with difficulty, yet evinces many encouraging proofs of its energy and powers of endurance. With the blessing of God ever resting upon His Church, it may yet hope for a return of its former prosperity.

### **CHRIST CHURCH, NORTH CANAAN.**

**THE REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, MINISTER.**

Families 27; baptisms—infants 2; confirmed 1; communicants—added 3, present number 16; burials 1.

This is a new Parish situated in a thriving village, several miles distant from any place of religious meetings. It owes its existence chiefly, under the blessing of God, to the operation of the Litchfield County Association, and the Missionary labors of the Rev. G. W. Fash. During the past year it has erected a small, but remarkably neat, stone edifice, which, like the true Church, cannot be mistaken for any thing else than a Church, and will continue unchanged to future ages.

Like everything of the kind, which is well done, it has cost not a little money and effort for its completion. To effect this, in a small Parish, with some adverse occurrences while building, it has been necessary to appeal for aid to the friends of the Church out of the congregation. The appeal has not been in vain. The usual liberality of Connecticut Churchmen, in different parts of the State, with the most generous contributions within the Parish, it is hoped, has provided the means of paying up the arrearages upon building their Church and preventing the danger of a Parish debt.

### **ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZOAR, NEWTOWN.**

**THE REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, LATE MISSIONARY.**

Families about 25; baptisms—infants 1; communicants—lost by death 1, present number about 30; burials 1; Sunday School—4 teachers, 30 pupils.

Having acted as a Missionary in this Parish only one fourth of the time, during a portion of the past year, I have been able to do little more than acquire some knowledge of its condition, and sympathise with it in its troubles. This Church, situated within

ncient Parish of Newtown, where the Church influence pre-  
over all other, is notwithstanding, in urgent need of immedi-  
id to save it from extreme peril. With a respectable attend-  
upon the services of the Church, a considerable number of  
nunicants, and not a few children and youth dependent upon  
Episcopal Church for religious education, it is very deficient  
eans and male members necessary to sustain it without aid  
encouragement from abroad. The late Missionary believes  
ome attention and assistance bestowed in this quarter, would  
uch good, not only in preserving what now exists within the  
sh, but in adding to its numbers and reanimating it with new

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH GUILFORD.

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR.

families 38; baptisms—adults 1, children 2; confirmed 5;  
ds 5; communicants 45. Since the last Convention, this  
ch has had the services of the Minister 27 Sundays, Thanks-  
g, Christmas, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Here the  
l's Supper has been celebrated 7 times.

uring the conventional year I have officiated 11 Sundays in  
n Church, Killingworth, administered the Communion 4  
s, baptized 1 child, presented 14 for confirmation, married  
ouple, and buried one person.

ave also officiated 13 Sundays in Zion Church, North Bran-  
administered the Communion 4 times, and baptized one  
. The Churches in Killingworth and North Branford need  
ionary aid.

### JOHN'S CHURCH (WAREHOUSE POINT), EAST WINDSOR.

THE REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

families 78; baptisms—infants 9; communicants 32; mar-  
s 7; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars about

y the transfer of the names of a few individuals to the  
stry of Grace Church, Broad Brook, during the last year, the  
ber of Communicants in this Parish is less than when the re-  
was last made to the Bishop.

he remarkable success which has attended the effort to erect  
second Church edifice and organize a new Parish in East  
dsor, should be attributed mainly to the sound judgment,  
reet zeal, and munificence of a member of this Parish.

ve have been much cheered and encouraged in our labors by  
quietness and peace with which that effort has been made,  
we are daily strengthened by the order and harmony which  
is in that newly organized Parish.

The past history of St. John's Church, in this village, taken in connection with the successful effort at Broad Brook, appears to teach those who labor for the extension of the Church, never to lessen their interest, or relax their efforts in sustaining feeble Parishes. Although they may not for many years become self-sustaining, still in them a few minds may be from time to time enlightened and strengthened by the truth, and here and there a heart may be chastened and purified by means of our constant services, and at length urged to obey the will of Heaven by the consecration of talents to Christ and the Church.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHESHIRE.

THE REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.

Families 57; baptisms—infants 4; communicants—added by removals 4, anew 3, lost by death 2, by removal 6, total 92; marriages 6; burials 9; missionary and charitable contributions \$44 21;—\$6 to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.

Within the past year this Parish has built in the rear of the Church a convenient and spacious Vestry-Room at an expense of more than \$300, and paid \$250 to liquidate debts which had been accumulating since the erection of the new edifice in 1840. The Parish is now entirely free from debt, and if its spiritual condition was as favourable as its temporal—if a deeper and more chastened piety pervaded each and every member of the congregation—the Rector would have reason to rejoice that “the lines are fallen to him in such a pleasant place.”

In addition to the above statistics, he reports as extra-parochial, the burial of *two* children—one in Southington, and one in Hamden—and the marriage of a couple in Naugatuc, on occasion of an exchange.

## CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

THE REV. LORENZO T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families 63; baptisms—infants 3, adult 1; confirmed 6; communicants 101—added 7, lost by death 2; marriage 1; burials 6; Missionary and charitable contributions \$60 54.

The Rector has nothing to report of interesting incidents or important changes.

The services of the Church have been uniformly well attended, and with general apparent devoutness.

Instead of quarterly offerings for Missionary and other benevolent purposes, as was the system adopted until the debt incurred in building the Church edifice should be liquidated, that object being now accomplished, we have recently introduced the plan of monthly offerings, with the prospect of good results.

This Parish acknowledges, with gratitude, a valuable present

of a marble Baptismal Font, from St. Paul's Church, New Haven.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MONROE.

THE REV J. BETTS, MINISTER.

Families 50 ; communicants 70 ; burials 1 ; Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars 50 ; contribution for the Christian Knowledge Society \$3 44.

After my Ordination in October, I assisted the Rev. Dr. Mead, of Norwalk, until the first Sunday after Easter, at which time I entered upon my present duties.

### CHRIST CHURCH, TRUMBULL.

THE REV. WILLIAM WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.

Families 57 ; Baptisms—adults 2 ; children 3, total 5 ; confirmed 10 ; communicants—lost by removal 1, by death 3, added anew 5, present number 61 ; marriages 2 ; burials 11 ; contributions to Domestic Missions \$5 25.

Since the last annual report, a new Church edifice has been erected, which was consecrated by the Bishop on the 28th day of May last. This Church has been erected by the exclusive aid of the members of the Parish, and without incurring any debt. In point of neatness, the structure will bear comparison with any of our rural Churches in the Diocese.

### GRACE CHURCH, LONG HILL, TRUMBULL.

THE REV. WILLIAM WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.

Families 41 ; baptisms—1 infant ; communicants—added by removal 1, anew 2, present number 41 ; burials 2 ; contributions to Domestic Missions \$7 75.

During the last year the debt incurred by the building of this Church, has been liquidated by the members of the Parish.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WALLINGFORD.

THE REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.

Families, about 80 ; baptisms—infant 6, adult 2, total 8 ; confirmed 6 ; communicants—lost by death 1, added anew 8, present number 114 ; marriages 4 ; burials 5.

The Parish the past year has paid off all arrears on the new Church, and procured a fine toned bell, at an expense of about \$250.

In respect to its temporalities, the condition and prospects of this Parish are very good, and it is hoped that, in spiritual piety and devotion and an intelligent attachment to the Church, there has been some progress during the period covered by this Report.

## CHRIST CHURCH, WESTPORT.

THE REV. EDWARD C. BULL, RECTOR.

Families 60; baptisms—infant 11, adult 6; confirmed 6; communicants—added anew 5, lost by removal 5, present number 90; marriages 6; burials 4; Sunday School scholars about 60; Missionary and charitable contributions exclusive of objects within the Parish \$29 68.

## CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD,

THE REV. GEORGE BURGESS, D. D., RECTOR.

Families 259; baptisms—infant 31, adult 11, whole number 42; communicants—added by removal 18, anew 26, whole number added 44, removed 27, died 4, present number 402; confirmed 19; marriages 11; burials 25; Sunday School—teachers 27, scholars 185; Missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish, \$1328 74.

The number of communicants which is given above includes a few who have been confirmed since the last communion, but may be expected at the next, or very shortly; and also a few, who, though not now residing within the Parish, retain some connection with it, and belong to no other.

It is matter of regret that the contributions of the Parish, although to a great extent liberal, yet do not bear a just proportion to the aggregate wealth of its members. The system of monthly contributions is happily adapted to the majority, but fails to draw forth the ability of the more opulent.

No very marked tokens of spiritual improvement have been visible in the congregation, as a body, during the past year; but the progress of many individuals has been witnessed with abundant joy.

## TRINITY CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

THE REV. R. CAMP, RECTOR.

Families 18; baptisms—infants 3, adults 2, total 5; confirmed 4—1 in Hartford; communicants 40—removed 6, died 2.

One of these was the relict of the late Rev. Daniel Fogg, for some time a Missionary of the Society of Christian Knowledge in England, and who remained steadfast at his post during forty eventful years. The Church of Christ seldom has had a member more entirely devoted in thought, word, and deed, to her welfare and service than she. Having been intimately acquainted with every Bishop of our Diocese, and having a warm and earnest interest in every thing that pertained to the Church, she could relate, with great vivacity, many most interesting anecdotes of Bishops, Priests, and Laymen. May the Lord give us many such to encourage and urge us onward in patient endurance and



y faith. She deserves to be had in honorable remembrance by faithful, for her earnest spirit and Catholic mind, as many generations will feel her influence.

## CHRIST CHURCH, WEST HAVEN.

THE REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

families—reported in 1846, 51, lost by removals, &c. 3, added removals, &c. 5, present nominal number 53, number having s in Church 43; baptisms—adult 2, children 6, total 8; communicants—reported in 1846, 61, lost by death 1, by removal 2, pension 1, total 4, added by removal 2, present number 59; candidates for confirmation 5; marriages 1; burials 3; Sunday school—scholars 31, teachers 6.

The statistics of this Parish differ very little from those of last year, and yet there is more to encourage hope than at any former period; a greater degree of interest in many things touching the Church, a more manifest desire to maintain its services, and a more punctual attendance upon its ordinances. While, therefore, there are many things to discourage, and many serious obstacles in the way of our progress, there are signs of good which doubt not will be eventually realized, if the Parish can continue to receive that pastoral attention and care which it so much needs.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WATERBURY.

THE REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

families 198; baptisms 46; communicants 329—added by removals 14, anew 18, lost by removals 37, lost by death 7; marriages 13; burials 18; Sunday School—teachers 63, scholars 313. As the Parish has been called upon to meet large demands during the year at home, our charities abroad have been materially diminished.

The system of "offerings," however, has been as usual pursued and the following sums, raised chiefly in that way, have been disbursed: to the Domestic department of our Missionary Society \$163 25; to the Foreign department \$185, of which \$25 paid to the African Mission, and \$160 to the Mission under charge of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Southgate, at Constantinople; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$50; to the Church Scholar Society \$50; for the benefit of aged and infirm Clergymen; to other Parishes in the County \$20 50; total \$489 75.

The children of the Sunday School have met their seventh annual payment of \$20 towards the education of Thomas Churchwell, at the African Mission. The ladies, in their sewing societies, have raised \$188 91, all of which they appropriate towards finishing the new Church, which, it is expected, will be ready for consecration early in October next.

The usual weekly service has been held in the Church, at which

the Rector has had the satisfaction of meeting a large number of youth. The usual Fasts and Festivals of the Church have been observed too, but not, I regret to say, with the *increasing interest* which alone can secure for the many their intended results.

## GRACE CHURCH, BROAD BROOK.

THE REV. FRANCIS J. CLERC, DEACON, MINISTER.

The number of Families leasing slips, is at least 60; baptisms—infants in private 1, in public 2, total 3; confirmation is needed for several in the Parish; communicants added by removal 1, anew 0, lost by removal 1, by death 0, whole number at present 8, total 9; marriages 1, burials 1, Sunday School—teachers 0, adult catechumens under instruction in a Bible class 13, children 26.

## WINSTED.

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D. MISSIONARY,

Reports to his Bishop, that, from the time of the last Convention until Easter, he continued in charge of the united Parishes of Christ Church, Bethlem, and Trinity Church, Northfield. The clerical acts performed in the former Parish will be reported by the present Rector. In the latter Parish there were three burials and one marriage; one communicant was lost by death, and six were added anew, during the period referred to.

At Easter, I took charge of the Missionary station at Winsted, under the appointment of the Clerical and Missionary Association of Litchfield County, with the approbation of the Bishop, together with Union Church, Hitchcockville. In the village of Winsted, the Rev. Mr. Frisbie, the former Missionary, performed the services of the Church in the most favorable place which could be obtained, a District School House situated in an extreme part of the village, on every alternate Sunday, until late in last Autumn. These services were well attended and ably sustained. The Missionary suspended them at that time, for the purpose of employing the portion of his time allotted to Winsted, in soliciting funds for the erection of a Church there. His call was generously responded to, by the Churchmen of the several Parishes where he presented the object, and his arduous and persevering efforts rewarded with all the success that could have been hoped. The present Missionary has added something to the sum previously raised. A full acknowledgment of the contributions in the several Parishes will be made through The Calendar, when they are completed and a full report can be made. The people of the place have manifested their interest in the enterprise by a subscription of about \$1500; it is confidently hoped that the Church will be completed and consecrated before the next meeting of the Convention. In the present state

as, it is impossible to make a statistical report, nothing having yet brought into definite form. It is purposed to re-commence services as soon as the Missionary is at liberty to do so, a suitable place can be obtained. The only clerical act in his place since Easter is one marriage.

## UNION CHURCH, HITCHCOCKVILLE. -

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D., RECTOR.

The state of the Parish in Hitchcockville is much the same as last years. The number of families is twenty-two. Five infants and two adults were baptised, one person was received into the Holy Communion, and two persons were buried by late Rector, the Rev. Mr. Frisbie. One communicant has died. Present number of communicants twenty-two. Contributions for benevolent objects, thirteen dollars and forty-four cts.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT.

THE REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 32, adults 5; funerals 19; marriages 21; confirmed 17; communicants 358; families 300; Sunday School scholars and teachers 200; charitable collections \$328 17.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.

THE REV. S. COOKE, RECTOR.

Families 275; baptisms—adults 6, infants 46, total 52; confirmed 28; communicants—admitted 25, received 29, total admitted 54, removed 14, died 7, present number 271; marriages 4; deaths 21.

The following appropriations have been made, within the fiscal year, from the Parish collections; Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge, \$120, Domestic Missions, \$500, Foreign Missions, \$175, Bible and Prayer Book Society, N. Y., \$25, St. Society, N. Y., \$25, Trinity Church, Wolcottville, \$21, Hop Boone, China, \$25, Seamen's Floating Chapel, N. Y. \$4, to the Jews, \$1, Education in Africa, \$20, Church at Waverly, Illinois, \$25, Sunday School, \$50, Church of our Saviour and St. for Seamen, \$25, Communion offerings, \$244 19. Total \$60 19.

To the foregoing statistics, the Rector has to add, that the present number of Families and Communicants is given with as much exactness as is practicable, in so large a Parish. He ventures to remark, that if the names of all the Communicants at present in connection with the Parish were on the Register, the number would reach three hundred.

As to contributions, the sum actually received does not appear

from the list of appropriations, there being a balance on hand not yet appropriated. The receipts from the monthly collections *alone*, for the Diocesan year, were \$1359 01. Just before the commencement of that year, the sum of three hundred dollars was sent to the Foreign department of Missions, making, with the twenty-five sent to Bishop Boone, and the hundred and seventy-five since forwarded, a sum equal to that sent to the Domestic department.

## TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

THE REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families 105; baptisms—adults 3, infants 9; confirmed 17; communicants—added anew 12, by removal 2, lost by death 3, by removal 1, present number 189; marriages 6; funerals 5; Sunday School—teachers 18, scholars about 100; Missionary and charitable contributions, including \$44 75, for the Church at Wolcottville, \$212 74.

The records of the Parochial Register indicate no change in the *number* of families reported last year. Death and removals, however, have made some important changes, in the aspect and the prospects of this Parish. As to other particulars, the statistics presented above indicate the same encouraging view of gradual and substantial growth which has, in years past, cheered the pastor of this portion of the flock of Christ in his work. What appears to him chiefly to be desired, for further evidence of spiritual prosperity in the people of his charge, is a more manifest sense of their responsibility as stewards of the gifts of God, and of their obligation to extend the Gospel according to their ability and their opportunities.

It is proper to observe here, that while the Rector has been called during the year to solemnize the banns of matrimony several times, he has married but one couple of persons belonging to this Parish.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

THE REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families—lost by removal 3, added by removal 1, present number 52; communicants—lost by removal 3, added 1, present number 72; one marriage; baptisms—infants 4; burials 7—three only *baptized members of the Church*; Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars 35, Bible class 10; missionary offerings—Foreign and Domestic \$29 80, Christian Knowledge Society \$4.

• For objects *within the Parish*, have been expended during the last year, for an Organ, \$350; for enlarging the Gallery about \$40; for library books \$16; for carpeting the aisles of the Church about \$20.

he Rector would be happy were he enabled to say that the *real* state of the Church is as healthy as its *temporal*, but it is much to be lamented, that he cannot. Still, by the diligent ministration of the *appointed means, the word and sacraments, animated by the promises* of Christ, he feels sure that God will yet bless us; and he therefore looks forward to the time *when all her members may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.*

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARTFORD.

THE REV. A. C. COXE, RECTOR.

he Rector respectfully reports to his Diocesan—baptisms—infants 11; confirmed 33, in all 44; married 4; deaths 7; Sunday scholars 136; catechists 24; communicants—by death 1, lost by removals and erasures 16, added 23, increasing 10 students of Trinity College—225; Families, (without a full estimate of single persons.) 155; nine families reported this year, have removed from Hartford.

Contributions, donations, &c. for charitable purposes, have been as follows: Parochial—offertory \$182 25½, contingent expenses \$67, Sunday-School, &c. \$26 37, St. John's School 35 50, reaching offering \$5, in all \$422 79½; extra-parochial—Nashotah, 71, Christian Knowledge Society \$28, Constantinople \$100, Swedish Church \$77, Irish sufferers \$147, Church Scholarship Society \$23, Infirm Clergy \$21 75, children's Easter offerings \$22; private donation to Swedes' Church \$100, do. to Nashotah Mission at several times \$80, do. to Christian Knowledge Society \$30, do. to infirm Clergy \$50, do. for Prayer-Books \$20, total, of charities, \$1182 27½.

The Parish still suffers severely, by emigration; and the Rector is sorry to add, that it is about to lose, by a removal to New York, a member, to whom, under God, a great portion of its moral prosperity is owing. It is only necessary to name that member as W. T. LEE, Esq., to ensure the regret of the Diocese generally, among whose Laity he has so long filled a most useful and honorable place.

Arrangements for Divine Service, for the Instruction of Catechumens, the due observance of all Feasts and Fasts, and for the frequent celebration of the HOLY EUCHARIST, continue as heretofore reported. That Holy Sacrament has been celebrated, within this Church, 20 times during the past year, at nearly all of which, though several were on occasions of ordinations—there was a liberal and devout attendance of communicants.

## TRINITY CHURCH, NEW HAVEN.

THE REV. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D. RECTOR.

Families, about 380; baptisms—adults 9, children 41, total 50; marriages, 25; burials (of whom 15 were communicants) 37; ad-

ded to the communion 32 ; whole number of communicants (about) 460 ; Sunday School—teachers 35, catechumens 335 ; monthly offerings, since last annual report, \$950 14.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SOUTH GLASTENBURY.

THE REV. G. H. DESHON, RECTOR.

Families 70 ; baptisms—infant 4, adult 4, total 8 ; confirmed 6 ; communicants—added anew 5, by removal 3, died 4, removed 3, present number 102 ; marriages 5 ; burials 10 ; Sunday School—teachers 10, scholars 70 ; Missionary and charitable contributions \$111 62½.

Besides the regular services, a third service has been held occasionally on Sundays. The greater Festivals have been duly observed. During the season of Lent, the Church was opened for Morning Prayer on Fridays, and for Evening Prayer and a Lecture on Wednesdays. In Passion Week, services were held daily. The attendance, though smaller than could be desired, has been larger and more uniform than in former years.

Through the winter months the children were regularly catechised every Sunday. A class of young persons are also in course of preparation to receive confirmation.

The Parish has afforded tokens in the last year of a slow but steady and perceptible increase.

## TRINITY CHURCH, PORTLAND.

THE REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Families 97 ; baptisms—infant 8, adult, 1 ; communicants—added 8, died or removed 4, present number, 90 ; marriages 9 ; burials 13 ; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars 98 ; Missionary and charitable contributions—appropriated, of monthly collections, to Jewish Missions in New York \$10, for Nashotah \$10, Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in Connecticut \$20, for Constantinople \$15, charitable and other contributions for the relief of the suffering in Ireland and Scotland \$53, other collections for the same object \$25, for Sunday School Library, singing school, &c. in this Parish \$80, total \$213.

Since the last Convention, this Parish has expended over \$600 in necessary repairs upon the exterior of the Church ; and through the munificence of a Lay member of the Parish, who made a donation of \$500 to the object, with \$100 furnished by the "Ladies' Sewing Society," its interior has been greatly improved and adorned.

A Clerical member of the Parish has made donations, in small sums to several Parishes in Ohio and elsewhere, to the amount of \$150.

## GRACE CHURCH, HAMDEN.

THE REV. C. W. EVEREST, MINISTER.

families 47 ; communicants—added by removal 1, lost by removal 3, present number 68 ; marriages 1 ; burials 4.

Clerical services have been performed on Sundays, in this church, during the past year, by the Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, present Minister attending to the Parochial duties. At Easter last he resumed the charge of the Church, in connection with that of St. John's Parish, North Haven, both Parishes forming for the present, but one cure.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH HAVEN.

THE REV. C. W. EVEREST, MINISTER.

families 43 ; communicants—lost by death 1, present number 3.

During the past year I have performed full clerical services in this Parish, and all necessary parochial duties. At Easter it was united, by official change, with Grace Church, Hamden, each receiving Clerical services one-half the time.

## MANCHESTER MILLS.

THE REV. CHARLES R. FISHER, MISSIONARY,

reports, that by the direction of his Rt. Rev. Bishop, he entered upon the duties of this Mission, on the first Sunday after Easter last. He officiates regularly in this place, on every other day, in a school-house which will conveniently accommodate 200 persons. On Sunday mornings the congregation numbers from 100 to 125, and on Sunday afternoons, from 150 to 200. There is no other place of public worship in the village.

The Sunday School has 9 teachers and 45 scholars. It is supplied with a library of over 100 volumes, "Office of Devotion,"

Question Books, all of which are published by the Episcopal Sunday School Union in New York.

There is Lay Reading of the Service, and sermons on every alternate Sunday. The Sunday School meets on every Sunday. The Missionary has a Bible Class of 15 adults.

There seems to be good encouragement here for the continuance of the labors of the Church.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORTHFORD.

THE REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

families 32 ; communicants—added by removals 4, lost by death 1, by removals 2, present number 49 ; marriages 3 ; burials 3 ; Sunday School—teachers 3, scholars 20 ; Missionary and other contributions \$38 33.

To these statistics there may be added that a class for confirmation is now waiting the visitation of the Bishop. It may be mentioned also, as a gratifying evidence of a Christian spirit, and for the sake of example, that an aged female communicant of this Parish has presented within the past year, for the service of the Holy Communion, a Flagon of pure silver. It was from her a Thank Offering to God for special mercies received. Such an instance of devotion it gives the Rector much pleasure to record.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ROXBURY. •

THE REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families—added by removal 2, anew 2, lost by removal 2, present number 68; baptisms—infants and children 12; marriages 3, burials 4; communicants—added anew 2, present number 59; catechumens and Sunday scholars 53; contributions, Missionary and charitable—about \$40.

The statistics of the Parish are much the same as last year, though it is hoped that the Church is increasing in permanency and strength, by quietness and peace. I have officiated for this Church, as usual, one-half of the Sunday, for the past year, with occasional services on Holy Days in the Church, and from house to house on other days; and the Church has been occasionally opened for Lay Reading.

Members of the Parish have also erected a number of sheds near the Church, for their greater comfort in attending Church in stormy and severe weather, and considerable improvements have been made in the Parsonage. I have also officiated several times during the year previous to Easter, in the town of Southbury, and at Easter accepted an invitation from the Wardens and Vestry to become their Minister.

## CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, SOUTHBURY.

THE REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

The number of families in this Parish is about 20, most of whom attend worship at the neighboring Churches of Oxford, Quakers' Farms, and Roxbury. The number of communicants is about 10.

This Church requires aid to enable it to sustain services; but it is believed that, with suitable aid, and by persevering labor, a congregation can be gathered here that, in a future day, will not be behind many of our established congregations in zeal and good works; and though now it is a day of small things with the Parish, yet this should by no means be despised.

I have also continued the school in the Parish of Christ Church, Roxbury, which has been in operation now for upwards of seven years with much benefit to the Parish, and, we would hope, to the Church at large.



**CHRIST CHURCH, BETHLEM.****THE REV. WM. HENRY FRISBIE, RECTOR.**

families 49 ; baptisms—infant 3 ; communicants—added anew  
 removal 3, lost by removal 2, whole number 60 ; funerals 1 ;  
 tributions for objects out of the Parish—for Church in Win-  
 \$28, for Litchfield County Missions \$12, for aged and infirm  
 gymen, \$2 74, total \$42 74.

y connection with this Parish commenced at Easter. The  
 e official acts were performed, with the exception of one  
 sm, by the Rev. Mr. Coe, my predecessor. Up to Easter, I  
 ated in Hitchcockville, half the time ; and the other half I  
 in the employ of the Litchfield County Association, in be-  
 of a Church in Winsted.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, LITCHFIELD.****THE REV. SAMUEL FULLER, D. D., RECTOR.**

families 100 ; baptisms—infant 7, adult 1, total 8 ; communi-  
 —added by removal 12, anew 8, lost by removal 13, death  
 resent number 130 ; marriages 10 ; burials 12 ; Sunday  
 ol—teachers 18, pupils 100 ; Missionary and other contribu-  
 —Christian Knowledge Society \$34 91, Domestic Missions  
 7, Foreign Missions \$22 86, Parish objects \$44 38, Church  
 irth Canaan \$60, Church at Winsted \$104, total \$277 72.

rough the blessing of God, this important Church continues  
 prosper. The building is quite too small for the accommodation  
 a growing congregation, and it is earnestly hoped that meas-  
 will be speedily adopted for increasing the number of pews.  
 Sunday School is taught during the whole year, and there  
 several candidates for confirmation awaiting the expected visit  
 a Bishop.

**TRIST CHURCH, HARWINTON, AND ST. MAT-  
THEW'S, PLYMOUTH.****THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, MINISTER,**

spectfully reports to his Bishop that, during the past Con-  
 onal year, he has officiated alternately in the above named  
 hes ; during which time he has administered the Holy  
 ument of baptism to 49 persons—31 infants and 18 adults ;  
 nted for the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation 30 ; and ad-  
 tered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, once in six  
 s in each Parish, besides other acts given in detail below.

**HARWINTON.**

families 44 ; baptisms—infant 17, adult 8, total 25 ; confirmed  
 communicants—added by removal 3, by first communion 4,  
 y removal 2, present number 41 ; marriages 2 ; burials 6 ;

Sunday School—teachers 6, scholars, including bible class, 35; Missionary and charitable contributions \$10.

### EAST PLYMOUTH.

Families 58; baptisms—infants 14, adults 10, total 24; confirmed, including 2 confirmed in Easter week, 1846, and not before reported, 20; communicants—added by first communion 10, lost by death 1, present number 69; marriages 2; burials 3; Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars, including bible class, 45; Missionary and charitable contributions \$12.

### ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH, EAST HADDAM.

THE REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.

Families 70; baptisms—children 4, adult 1, whole number 5; confirmed 6; communicants—added 3, lost by death 1, present number 79; burials 6; marriages 4; scholars connected with the Sunday School, 30.

Monthly collections have been taken during the past year, and the funds so raised have mostly been devoted to objects within the Parish. Collection for Christian Knowledge Society \$3. This Parish continues active, peaceful, and harmonious.

### CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

THE REV. F. J. GOODWIN, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 12, adults 3, whole number 15; communicants—new 7, removed into the Parish 3, removed from the Parish 3, died 4, present number about 130; marriages 2, burials 11; Sunday School—teachers 13, scholars 65; contributions—Domestic Missions \$45, Foreign Missions \$43, Christian Knowledge Society \$7; Church Scholarship Society \$7, to the fund for aged and infirm Clergymen \$7.

To these may be added \$131 10, being the Sunday collections which are appropriated towards liquidating a debt of the Parish; also, \$366, given by the Ladies' Missionary Society to the same object; Easter offerings of the same, to Domestic Missions, \$20; to Foreign Missions, \$14; for the Sunday School of the Parish, \$17; Parochial purposes, \$22; from different members of the Parish towards the poor of Ireland, \$75; communion alms, \$108; total, \$832 10.

I will here state that by means of the sum applied by the Ladies' Missionary Society, towards reducing the debt of the Parish, together with some previous subscriptions which have been recently realized, the indebtedness of the Parish has been lessened during the past year more than one thousand dollars. The annual interest of the debt which yet remains, is now one hundred dollars a year less than the yearly interest of property which belongs to the Church. It will thus be seen that in a temporal point

few, the prospects of the Parish are more encouraging than have been for a long time past.

We have had Divine Service celebrated twice on Sundays, and several months of the year, on Friday evenings. During Lent, the Church was open, in addition, on Wednesday mornings, and in Passion Week, every day at 4 o'clock. The service of the Church has also been performed and a sermon delivered on Thanksgiving day, on Christmas day, on the Festivals of the Circumcision and the Epiphany, on Ash Wednesday, and twice on Good Friday. The Holy Communion is usually administered on the first Sunday of every month. In the increased interest and attention manifested in reference to our religious services, and in the condition of the Parish generally, the Rector finds much cause for encouragement and devout gratitude.

### GRACE CHURCH, SAYBROOK.

THE REV. JOHN MARSHALL GUION, RECTOR.

During the past ecclesiastical year, having had no Parochial charge until Easter, I have rendered such Clerical services as have been requested. Within this Diocese, I have officiated one day in St. John's Church, Hartford, one in Unionville, two Sundays in St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and seven in New Britain, in the absence of the Minister of the Parish, for whom I have also administered the Holy Communion, and whom I have assisted on various other occasions. Here I have baptized three children. On the 13th of April, I received a call to resume the Rectory of Grace Church, Saybrook, which I have accepted. With this Parish there are connected 32 families and 37 communicants. We have here performed the marriage service once, and attended a funeral. The Sunday School recently organized, is promis-

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON.

THE REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families 75; baptisms—children 9; communicants—added, admissions 2, by removals 7, lost by death 3, removals 4, present number 113; marriages 4; burials 21;\* Sunday School—teachers 14, scholars 56; missionary and charitable contributions

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The report of burials above is swelled considerably beyond the usual number by the interment here of eight of the unfortunate persons who lost their lives in the wrecking of the Atlantic in our neighbourhood, on the shore of Fisher's Island, on the 27th of November last, seven of whom, two, at one time, connected with the public service of the United States, and, at another, belonging to one family, members of the Church of England, were committed to the grave with the rites of the Church by Rev. Mr. Deshon, in the absence of the Rector, and one, the father of the family, whose remains having been subsequently recovered, by the Rector himself.

—General Missionary Society \$103, Christian Knowledge Society (for Stonington) \$100, destitute Clergy Fund \$44 65, Pomfret \$37, Sag Harbor \$50 65, relief of Irish \$225, total \$560 30.

This parish is now engaged in the erection of a new Church, the present Church, erected just after the close of the Revolutionary War, at the commencement of Bishop Seabury's rectoryship, and consecrated by him Sept. 20th, 1787, being no longer adequate to the wants of the parish nor suitable to its means. The new Church is to be a spacious, appropriate and elegant structure of stone, and will exhibit the happy influence of the improved taste in sacred architecture which distinguishes the day. It is to be built after a design furnished by R. Upjohn, Esq. and when completed will be surpassed by few Churches in the land in beauty and fitness of expression. This important work has been entered upon with a very gratifying measure of harmony and liberality, and can scarcely fail to advance both the temporal and spiritual welfare of the congregation. God has blessed this venerable Parish in outward things, and has put it into the hearts of its members to build a house to his name. May he accept their offering and graciously say, "Here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein."

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HEBRON.

THE REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, RECTOR.

Families 50; baptisms—infants 6, adults 12, whole number 18; confirmed 11; communicants—added by removals 4, anew 5, lost by removals 6, death 2, present number 35; marriages 4; funerals 10; amount of collections taken in the Church \$20 28.

Recitations of the Sunday School and Bible class, are heard as usual during the the interval between services on Sunday.

Instructions in sacred music have been received by the choir during the past winter.

Meetings of the Ladies Sewing Society, after an interval of suspension of some considerable length of time, are now held with regularity once in two weeks.

The interior of the Church has been improved within the past year at a cost of about \$100 raised by subscription from among the members of the parish—and devoted to the object of having the wood-work grained, and the walls white-coated.

The discharge of another year's pastoral duties in this parish, has brought with it evidence of its having been attended with the production of *some* good, and as the Rector is aware of his own inability to do any thing that is good by his own unaided endeavours, it is to a Higher than himself, that he would ascribe all the merit and all the praise that are due, for the measure of success, however limited it may be—with which his labours may have been crowned.

## CHRIST CHURCH, WATERTOWN.

THE REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D., RECTOR.

families 124; baptisms—infants 4; funerals 5; marriages 6; communicants—lost by death and removals 6, added 4, present number 133; Sunday School—scholars 100, teachers 15; charitable contributions \$150.

## ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

THE REV. O. HOPSON, LATE RECTOR.

families about 100; baptisms—children 8, adults 1; communicants—added by removal 7, anew 2, lost by removal 14, by death whole number 145; marriages 8; burials 10.

My ministerial connection with this Parish ceased at Easter, a continuance of nearly fourteen years. During this time, were baptized, in this Parish—children 159, adults 57, in 16; confirmed 140; communicants—added *anew* 159; marriages 71; burials 125.

It may not be improper to state that this Parish has witnessed a constant increase to the number of its communicants *every year*, during my connection with it, with the exception of the period embraced in my present report, which does not comprise a full year;—and the *ratio* of increase, during the whole time, has been far from *five-fold*.

May the Great Head of the Church still bestow upon it the dew of His blessing, and may every member of it be led by grace, to “hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life,” until he attain “unto the stature of the stature of the fullness of Christ.”

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NEW MILFORD.

THE REV. ENOCH HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

Although we have lost several valuable members of the Church by death, the Church is still very well filled when the weather is such that a congregation scattered over a large township can assemble for worship. There is an increased spirit of liberality in the Parish, the evidences of which are the extinguishment of that which has been accumulating for some time, the donations of liberal amounts by one or two individuals to Missionary and other good objects, and a readiness on the part of all to sustain the ministrations of the Church to the amount of their ability. About \$100 have been contributed towards the erection of a Church at Watertown. The monthly offerings for benevolent purposes have amounted to about \$100. Four infants have been baptized during the past year. Five have been added to the communion. I have officiated in holy matrimony 12 couples. I have attended to the last offices of religion 15 of our brethren of the same family.

**THE REV. A. JACKSON,**

Has been engaged during the year in the discharge of the duties of his Professorship in Trinity College. He has officiated constantly on Sundays at St. Mark's, New Britain.

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW BRITAIN.**

**THE REV. A. JACKSON, MINISTER.**

Families about 30; communicants 30, two having been lost, one by death, and one by removal, and three having been gained, by removal. The attendance is very much improved, and a new interest seems to be felt in the prosperity of the Church. A very desirable lot has been purchased in a central situation, on which it is designed either to place the present building, making extensive repairs and alterations, or to build a new Church. The Minister sees much to encourage his labors in this Parish.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HADDAM.**

**THE REV. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., MINISTER.**

The incumbent, in addition to his labours as Historiographer, has now been performing Missionary duties for five years with scarcely any assistance from the Church, having received in that time only 25 dollars from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. That he might not be burdensome to those for whom he laboured, he has generally walked whenever he could to and from the place of his ministrations. If he had been enabled by donations to build a Church when he first began his labours, he would now in all probability have had a numerous congregation, where the Church had not been previously known. Even now it is in his power, if he can raise \$3000 to erect two Churches; eligible ground for that purpose having been offered. His experience convinces him that four Churches might be built in the County of Middlesex, where at present there are none, which, as God shall prosper the work, will in due time be filled with faithful and devout Christians. During the past year, if at any time prevented from performing Missionary duties, he has generally aided his neighbouring brethren. His other employments have been constant and unremitting. He hoped to have had the first volume of the History of the Church ready for publication before the session of the General Convention, in October next, but other labours for the Church have been required from him, which he fears will postpone the publication till the next year. In the mean time he invites the benevolent aid of the faithful, for the accomplishment of all these great purposes. Any donations will be deposited in the Middlesex County Bank, and faithfully applied to such purposes as the donors may designate.

## THE REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

My labors during the past *Conventional* year have been as follows:—In June last I was present at the sittings of the “Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary,” in the city of New-York. In August I attended the Meeting of Trustees of Trinity College,” in Hartford. I would have been at Cheshire, also, in November last, at the Meeting of the “Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Academy,” but for severe illness, which confined me to my room for nearly five months, from November to March.

When able to attend Church, I have assisted the Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven, in the administration of the Holy Communion. I have also administered the same Holy Sacrament, several times, for the colored congregation of St. Luke's Church in New Haven. On Sunday, June 6, I assisted the Rev. Mr. Cooke, of St. Paul's, in the administration of the Holy Eucharist. And by the order of the Bishop, I have during the year, assisted in the examination of several candidates for Holy Orders.

## TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON, (LITCHFIELD.)

THE REV. ISAAC JONES, LATE RECTOR.

Number of families, about 40, as in 1845; communicants 54; new do. 1.

This church at present is destitute of a Rector, and is supplied with a lay reader. No exertions have been wanting on the part of its Rector to render it what it should be. Its true lovers will seek its good, and devoutly pray for the success and extension of his remnant of the Zion of God; and none more than his ministering servant who has preached unto them the words of eternal life.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NEW PRESTON.

THE REV. WM. LONG, MINISTER.

Families, 57; communicants 48; baptisms—infant, 2; marriages 1; Sunday School—teachers 8, scholars 30.

From Easter, 1846, until August, this church was opened by lay reading. Since that time divine service has been celebrated two thirds of the Sundays, and on every Friday evening during Lent; also on Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. The attendance is very good, and much improvement appears in the devotional habits of the congregation. The condition and prospects of the parish are very encouraging.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

THE REV. WILLIAM LONG, MINISTER.

Families 23; communicants 30; burials 3; marriages 1.

For the first five months of the *Conventional* year the parish



was destitute of services on account of repairing the church. Since last October the church has been opened for divine service every third Sunday.

The prospects of the parish are much as last year, save that it has suffered in the loss of some of its most influential members.

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WESTVILLE.

THE REV. JAMES MACKAY, LATE RECTOR.

Families 30; baptisms—infants 2; confirmed 2; communicants 50, added anew 1; marriages 2; burial 1; monthly and communion offerings \$16 15.

From Sunday, June 28th, 1846, to Easter, 1847, I officiated as afternoon Lecturer in Trinity Church, New Haven; consequently my parishioners at Westville had no regular afternoon services during that period. On the 15th of February last, I received and accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Michael's Parish, Naugatuck.

### ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, NAUGATUCK.

THE REV. JAMES MACKAY, RECTOR.

The statistics of this Parish will be found in the report of my predecessor, the Rev. O. Hopson.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

THE REV. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D., RECTOR.

The Parish is composed of about 100 families: 17 infants have been baptized; 19 persons have been confirmed; 15 communicants have been added; 13 have died or removed, leaving the present number 200, of which number nearly three fourths usually attend the administration of the Lord's Supper. There have been 7 marriages and 29 burials. The Sunday School has numbered 126 pupils and 43 teachers—total 169.

There has been raised by monthly offerings, subscriptions, &c., and appropriated to the cause of Missions, to the aid of feeble parishes, and other benevolent objects, \$350.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BRANFORD.

THE REV. FREDERICK MILLER, RECTOR.

Families 87; baptisms—infant 16, adult 3, total 19; confirmed 23; communicants—added as new 14, by removal 1, lost by death 3, present number 115; marriages 4; burials 9; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars about 75; contributions for Missionary and charitable purposes, \$84 97.

During the last summer and fall, a Bible class was held at the Parsonage on Sunday evenings, which was well attended, and it



is believed, productive of good. During the winter, however, there was generally a third service in the Church in its place. There have also been occasional services in different parts of the Parish. Besides the Missionary and charitable contributions, as given above, the Ladies' Sewing Society has appropriated about \$8 for the Mission at Nashotah. This Society has done and is doing much good. All are interested in it, and it is persevered in year after year with commendable and untiring zeal. It will be seen by this Report that the Parish is, through the Divine blessing, steadily progressing. Its pecuniary strength, however, has not, perhaps, materially increased. The Minister thanks God that his lot is cast among so kind a people, who are so disposed to hold up his hands and encourage him in his work; and after remaining among them for three years, he can truly say that he finds increased cause of encouragement and thankfulness.

### CHRIST CHURCH, SHARON.

THE REV. M. MOODY, MINISTER.

Families—removed 2, added 1, present number 4; baptisms—1 infant; communicants—removed 4, died 4, present number 56, marriages 1; burials 4; catechumens 14, charitable contributions \$39.

Since Easter, the Church has been opened for prayer on all the days for which a service has been appointed by the Church.

### CHRIST CHURCH, NORWICH.

THE REV. WILLIAM F. MORGAN, RECTOR.

Families, about 200; baptisms 16; confirmed 17; communicants—added by removal 4, anew 13, lost by death 1, aggregate about 203; marriages 7; burials 12; Sunday School—teachers 22, scholars 136; Missionary and charitable contributions \$471 12; Sunday School offerings \$32.

The above items which relate to the number of families and communicants in Christ Church are rendered to the Bishop, with less accuracy than the Rector could desire. For reasons already detailed in previous Reports, it has been impossible to secure a complete list of all those who claim membership in the Church, and who, if sittings were furnished, would gladly attend upon the services. These reasons, by the blessing of God, are now likely to disappear. The corner stone of a new Church edifice was laid, August 31st, 1846, by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Delaware, since which time rapid progress has been made in building. This Church, when completed, will remove all embarrassment hitherto occasioned by want of room, and will prove, we trust, an habitation blessed of God, and honored by His devout children.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, MERIDEN.

THE REV. C. MUNSON, RECTOR.

Families 81; baptisms—infant 11, adult 1, total 12; communicants—added by removal 9, lost by removal 3, by death 4, present number 131; marriages 2; burials 6; Sunday School—teachers 9, scholars about 50; monthly contributions to Missionary and other objects beyond the limits of the Parish, \$45 83.

## UNION CHURCH, HUMPHREYSVILLE.

THE REV. A. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Having commenced officiating on the Sunday after Ascension, and performed only the ordinary Sunday service, and not having as yet had access to the Parish record, the Rector can only refer to the last year's Report, for a knowledge of the state of the Parish.

He had charge of Christ Church, Reading, from Trinity Sunday, 1846, till Easter of the present year.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

THE REV. GEO. HUNTINGTON NICHOLLS, RECTOR.

Families 29; baptisms—infants 9, adults 2, total 11; confirmed 8; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 7, lost by removal 6, lost by death 1, whole number 29; marriages 3, burials 5, charitable and Missionary collections through regular monthly offerings, \$34 39, offertory, \$15 34.

Divine Service has been celebrated (through God's blessing) on each Lord's Day throughout the year. From Advent to Easter, all the Holy Days were commemorated by Divine Service at evening—an arrangement adopted in adaptation to the character of the Parish. Until Easter of the present ecclesiastical year, third services were holden on each Lord's Day evening accompanied by lectures upon the Liturgy. The attendance upon these services and the interest manifested therein have been sources of great thankfulness to the Rector, as evincing an increasing love and perception of the blessedness of Christ's Body. Prayers were offered on Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent and daily through Holy Week.

The Eucharist has been administered on the first Sunday of each month, together with those greater Festivals for which special prefaces are provided in the Communion Office.

The Canons providing "for Parochial Instruction" have been complied with.

Through the grace of Christ Jesus I have to report the great unanimity of desire for the prosperity of our beloved Zion and its consequent solid, although (from extraneous circumstances) gradual progression. A faithful realization of Christ's real and

biding presence is our greatest need. May the Lord hasten it in His own good time.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WESTVILLE.

THE REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

The Rector of this Parish would report that on the 14th day of March last he resigned the charge of the Parish of Christ Church, East Haven, which he had held for nearly three years. During this period it has been the privilege of the Rector to see the miserable old building formerly occupied by the congregation, as a house of prayer for the space of some 50 or 60 years, removed and its place supplied by a neat and tasteful rural Gothic edifice, well fitted and furnished throughout. The number in attendance on pleasant Sundays is now about 80. Could the Parish be induced to manifest a similar zeal and liberality in sustaining the services of the Church, to that which they have shown in improving their Church edifice, this Parish would undoubtedly prosper. During the period of my Rectorship there have been baptisms—adults 2, infants and children 11; confirmations 9; marriages 4; burials 13. Admissions to the Holy Communion 8. The Rector has the satisfaction of believing that his labours here have been productive of good results upon the temporal as well as spiritual condition of the Parish. He will always be happy to hear of their prosperity. The statistics of his Parish for the past year, as follows: Families—removed 1, present number 40; communicants—added 0, removed 3, died 1, present number 38; marriages 2; burials 4; baptisms—infants 4.

On the first Sunday after Easter, I took charge of St. James' Parish, Westville. I find here a congregation of some 80 persons. Considering their number and wealth they are certainly deserving of much praise for their zeal and liberality. The Parish seems, I think, to require two things. In the first place, we need to have our zeal and devotion somewhat increased, and a deeper solicitude awakened for the spiritual welfare of the Church; and in the next place, the temporal condition of the Parish requires attention. To the effecting both objects, the energies of both People and Pastor will now be directed. To effect the former, we may reasonably rely upon faithful Pastoral duty, instruction and visitation. To effect the latter object, I have strenuously urged upon the vestry the importance of cancelling the debt due on the Church as soon as possible. Since if it be suffered to accumulate much longer, it would greatly hinder our prosperity. This good work has been commenced and will, I hope, be prosecuted to a speedy and successful issue. When the Parish is once rid of this incumbrance, its temporal condition will stand upon a much better footing. May the Divine Blessing attend our labours—may we be filled with greater zeal and devotion, and nothing ever prevent us from cherishing that love and

ardent solicitude for Zion's prosperity, which it behoves all Christians to exemplify. For the statistics of the present year, I must refer to the report of its late Rector.

### TRINITY CHURCH, BRISTOL.

THE REV. JOSEPH H. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Number of families 45; communicants 59; Sunday School—children 30, teachers 6; offerings since Easter, \$10, other collections \$8. There are two Bible classes comprising 22 adult members.

The present Rector assumed the charge of this Parish on Easter Sunday last. The system of monthly offerings, and the catechizing of the children in public, which were established by the former faithful Clergyman of this Church, the Rev. Mr. Covell, have been continued by his successor.

This Parish is entirely free from debt, and it enjoys the high reputation of punctually fulfilling all its engagements. It is hoped that, by the zealous co-operation of Pastor and people, it is destined, with the Divine blessing, to a steady and healthy increase.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKFIELD.

THE REV. H. D. NOBLE, RECTOR.

Families 70; baptisms—infants and children 6, adults 1, total 7; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 7, lost by death 3, by removal 5, present number 86; marriages 7; burials 10; Sunday School—teachers 11, scholars 50, Bible class 20; Missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish as follows; Church in Winsted \$34 50, Domestic Missions, \$36 93, for do. \$18, P. E. Tract Society, \$5 85, Christian Knowledge Society, \$15, for "aged and infirm Clergymen," \$8, total, \$118 28.

It is believed that, on the whole, this Parish is more united than in times past. Possessing abundant pecuniary resources, apparently it only needs to be more and more actuated by that enlarged spirit of benevolence which the religion of Jesus is designed to impart, in order to become prosperous in itself, and largely instrumental in extending the blessings of the Gospel to the destitute.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDHAM.

THE REV. A. OGDEN, LATE MINISTER.

Families 52; baptisms—children 12, adults 1; whole, 13; confirmed 2; communicants—lost by death 1, by removal 3; added anew 2, by removal 2; whole number 37; marriages 2; burials 8; Sunday School scholars 30.

I relinquished the charge of this Parish at Easter, since which time it has been vacant. Perhaps it has at no time needed more the services of an efficient Clergyman than at present.

Since my resignation of the Parish at Windham, I have entered on the charge of St. Mark's, Bridgewater.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, RIDGEFIELD.

THE REV. HENRY OLMSTEAD, JR., RECTOR.

Number of families 83 ; baptisms—infants 4 ; communicants 3 ; marriages 4 ; burials 10 ; Sunday school 35 ; Missionary & charitable contributions \$54 27.

Through the praiseworthy zeal of members of the Parish, the church debt, amounting to \$1,476 is extinguished ; and a fund of 100 places the temporalities of the Church in an excellent condition.

The harmony of feeling which prevails among us, and the reverential attendance on the ordinances of the Church which is constantly exhibited, give us reason to hope that we do not undervalue our spiritual advantages.

### EPISCOPAL ACADEMY OF CONNECTICUT.

THE REV. S. B. PADDOCK, PRINCIPAL.

By the good providence of God, the Principal of this Institution enabled to report its continued prosperity. The number of pupils connected with it the past year, as reported to the Trustees at their annual meeting in December, was 72, of whom 44 are engaged in the study of the classics, and the remainder in higher and common branches of an English education. During this period, the Principal has been assisted by a graduate of Trinity College, and a portion of the time by two graduates of this institution. Much care has been taken to make the pupils thoroughly acquainted with what they have attempted to learn ; and to prove that our labor was not spent in vain, examinations of three days' continuance have been held at the close of each term, attended by a Committee of the Trustees, and literary persons from the village and neighboring towns.

Deeply sensible that unsanctified education is radically defective, if not absolutely pernicious, the Principal has labored publicly and privately, in season and out of season, to implant in the minds and hearts of his pupils high and holy principles of religion.

Besides the peculiar duties of his office, the Principal has preached for his brethren, and in vacant Parishes, on several occasions, administered the communion, he thinks, seven times, married two couples, and performed the funeral service once.

### CHRIST CHURCH, POMFRET.

THE REV. ROSWELL PARK, RECTOR.

Families 20 ; baptisms—adult 1, infant 4, total 5 ; confirmed ; communicants—added by removal 1, anew 3, lost by removal

3, present number 34; marriages 1; burials 1; Sunday School—teachers 4, scholars 24; missionary contributions—domestic \$13, foreign \$9; parochial charity, \$10; sufferers in Ireland \$12; total oblations \$44.

During the past year, the debt of \$140 on the Rectory has been entirely paid, and blinds have also been added to the Rectory, at an expense of \$56. The payments have been made, partly by the generous aid of the Rev. Dr. Vinton of Boston, partly by the Ladies' Sewing Society, and partly by subscription. The debt on the school room and sheds has also been reduced from \$260 to \$240; and farther improvements on the same are contemplated.

The school under the Rector's charge, which has received the name of Christ Church Hall, is in a flourishing condition, and now contains 28 pupils; one half of whom are young ladies. Thus favored in his efforts, the Rector has relinquished all missionary and extra parochial aid; and so long as the school can be sustained, the Parish will henceforward be self-supporting. *Esto perpetua, et Deo sit gloria.*

#### THE REV. WM. PAYNE

Reports that, in addition to his duties as Editor of the Diocesan Paper, he has, with few exceptions, officiated every Sunday in Parishes in the vicinity of Hartford. His services have been chiefly rendered in Trinity Church, Bristol, and St. Gabriel's, Windsor. Of the latter, he has had the regular charge since Easter. There is no material change in the number of families, nor in the congregation. Burials 2; missionary and charitable contributions, for Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, and Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5 19.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, BETHANY.

##### THE REV. DEXTER POTTER, RECTOR.

Church families, and those professing a preference for the Church, about 100; communicants 120; died 6; added 25, total 139; baptisms—infants 3, adults 7; confirmations 29; marriages 4; burials 13; Sabbath scholars about 60.

In view of all the circumstances of the case, the Rector and Parish have reason to be thankful to Divine Providence for what has been accomplished for the good of the Church in this place the past year.

In addition to the support of its Minister, the Parish have raised between \$300 and \$400 to settle their former indebtedness. The Rector hopes his Parishioners will not now be weary in well doing; but all bear unitedly the burden of the Lord's work, and continue to do what is requisite for the future welfare and prosperity of their Parish.

The communicants in this Parish are, to a considerable extent, females. Could we effect a reformation, both in heart and faith,

among the male heads of the families generally, we might hope better things for Zion, and far more ministerial comfort to the laborer in this portion of the Lord's vineyard. Occasionally, however, a prodigal comes home to his Father's house ; and this, we hope, is the earnest of something better in store for us.

### ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, BETHEL.

THE REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

Families 58 ; baptisms—infants 13 ; communicants—added by removal 6, anew 3, lost by removal 4, present number 74 ; Sunday School—teachers 12, scholars 70.

At Easter I relinquished the charge of the Parish of Union Church, Humphreysville, and entered on the Rectorship of St. Thomas' Church, Bethel, with which I had been formerly connected while it formed a part of St. James' Parish, Danbury. The Parish is in a flourishing condition. A full attendance of the young on Sunday School instructions inspires us with hope. Some necessary repairs on the Church are about to be made.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WOODBURY.

THE REV. CHARLES S. PUTNAM, RECTOR,

Respectfully reports, that he has had charge of this Parish as Rector since February last, previous to which time, and since June 1846, he has officiated under the direction of the former Rector, the Rev. D. P. Sanford.

Families 58 ; baptisms 3 ; marriages 1 ; funerals 3 ; communicants—lost 6, removals 6, added 10, present number 56 ; Sunday School—scholars 48, teachers 10 ; Bible class 9 ; collections for Missions \$11 ; under Canon XIII., \$7 67.

The Parish has suffered from the loss of several families ; but as others have come in, it remains, in this respect, nearly the same.

### CHRIST CHURCH, DERBY.

THE REV. N. S. RICHARDSON, RECTOR.

Families 71 ; baptisms—infants 21, adults 5, total 26 ; confirmations 14 ; communicants—added anew 13, by removal 12, lost by death 4, removal 6, present number 90 ; marriages 2, burials 14, Sunday School—scholars 70, teachers 13 ; books in Sunday School Library, 315 ; charitable appropriations—within the Parish \$23 68, without the Parish \$16 49, total \$40 17.

The above statistics indicate considerable increase in the numerical strength of the Parish since our last Report. By the liberality of the Ladies, the Church has recently been thoroughly furnished with carpets. A neat and commodious Parsonage is nearly ready for occupancy. With the blessing of God, this Par-



## TRINITY CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

THE REV. S. STEBBINS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families 210; baptisms—infants 16, adults 3, whole number 19; confirmed 28; communicants—added 17, lost by death 9, repelled 1, whole number 248; marriages 6; burials 38; Sunday School—teachers —, scholars from 150 to 200; missionary and charitable contributions about \$250.

The above parochial statistics embrace all that the Rector deems it necessary for him to report to his Bishop, since his recent visit to this Parish has enabled him to judge for himself, and to express himself gratified with its prosperous condition.

## CHRIST CHURCH, READING.

THE REV. JOSEPH P. TAYLOR, DEACON, MINISTER.

Families 45; baptisms—infants 18; communicants—added 1, removed 2, died 1, present number 36; marriages 3; burials 8; contribution towards the fund for the support of infirm Clergymen \$4 80.

I took partial charge of this Parish in the second week after Easter, 1847: previously to which, being engaged as a teacher in St. John's Parish, Stamford, I rendered some assistance to the Rector and some to Clergymen in neighboring Parishes.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STAMFORD.

THE REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D., RECTOR.

Families about 114; baptisms—infants 8, adults 4; marriages 5; burials 8; Sunday School—teachers 8, scholars about 50; communicants—added anew 4, by removal 12, whole number about 150; missionary and charitable contributions—Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society \$126 72, New York Episcopal Tract Society \$15, New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society \$15, to Parish in Wolcottville \$20, Christian Knowledge Society \$47 22, collection for relief of the Irish \$110, collection for Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$62 79, in all \$396 73.

## CHURCH, WESTON.

THE REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, MINISTER.

The unsettled state of the Parish renders it difficult to give the exact number of families or communicants—probably there is little difference from the last year as to families; three communicants have been added, one by removal, two anew, whole number about 30; baptisms—adults 1, infants 5; burials 2; Sunday School and Bible class 40.

The services of the Minister have been confined to the new Church edifice three fourths of the time, and every fourth Sunday



a school-house in the part of the Parish adjoining Greenfield Hill ; until the first of January last, when, in consequence of increased ill health and other causes, the services in the school-house were relinquished, and have not again been resumed. In addition to my own services in the Parish, the Rev. Abel Nichols, and the Rev. Samuel Nichols, have each officiated two Sundays (if I recollect right), in the old Church edifice, and the Rev. N. Cornwall has officiated at a funeral. These services *had* and *are* my willing consent and hearty approval, and thanks to my brethren besides. An unhappy difficulty existing in the Parish, and not yet settled, has much injured its prosperity, and disturbed its peace. The Lord grant that a speedy settlement of these difficulties may ensue, and that they may be overruled for good, so that even the wrath of man shall be made to advance the honor of His holy name.

#### THE REV. S. TOTTEN, D. D., PRESIDENT OF TRINITY COLLEGE,

Reports that he has been employed in the duties of his office, as President of Trinity College.

In addition to this he has officiated once in two weeks for the Parish of Christ Church, Unionville, during the greater part of the past year.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, UNIONVILLE.

Families 12; communicants 20; baptisms—adult 1, infants 7.

#### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, FAIR HAVEN.

THE REV. WILLIAM E. VIBBERT, RECTOR.

Families 60; baptisms—infants and children 9, adults 2, total 11; communicants—added by removal 4, do. anew 7, lost by removal 3, lost by death 2, present number 30; marriages, 4; burials 5; Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars 36; contributions—for objects within the Parish \$36 84, Foreign and Domestic Missions \$33 61, Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$5, aged and infirm Clergymen \$5, Convention fund \$4 50, total \$84 95.

This Parish still continues in a prosperous and flourishing condition. Much the same routine of services as reported last year, has been pursued during the present. The attendance upon the stated services of the Church is usually large and encouraging. The Rector, however, is grieved to say, that the fruits of his labors have not been as manifest and abundant, as he could have wished.

During a temporary absence of the Rector of Christ Church, Fair Haven, I officiated at a funeral in that Parish. By request, I have also buried, in the town of Northford, an individual not connected with my Parish, who died in this place.

A large proportion of the indebtedness incurred in erecting the new Church edifice, still remains unpaid. Could this be canceled, there is nothing to prevent this Parish from becoming one of the most strong and promising in the Diocese. It is therefore earnestly hoped that its members will use every exertion to *get out of debt* as speedily as possible.

The *Ladies* connected with St. James' Parish are deserving of great credit for *their* untiring efforts to advance its interests. They have raised in their Sewing Circle, during the past year, upwards of four hundred dollars; which amount has been appropriated in liquidation of the current expenses of the Parish.

May He who has thus far smiled upon our infant Zion, and who has promised to be with His Church "always, even unto the end of the world," still graciously continue to bless and build it up. May He "lengthen her cords, and strengthen her stakes," and enable her to evince to all about her, that she is indeed "the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, POQUETONNOCK.

THE REV. JOSEPH M. WAITE, LATE RECTOR,

Would respectfully report that his labors in this Parish extended from Easter 1846, to Easter 1847. Baptisms—children 5, adults 2; confirmed (in Christ Church, Norwich) 1; communicants—new 3, removed 2, died 3, present number 60; marriages 1; burials 4; Sunday School—teachers 9, scholars 36.

Besides the usual Missionary and charitable contributions, there have been given to the Domestic Missions \$8, Foreign \$5, Bible and Prayer Book Society \$2. A few ladies of the congregation have kindly presented the Church with a new Surplice, considerable carpeting, and a couple of chairs suitable for the Chancel.

Divine Service, with a single exception, has been regularly held twice on every Lord's Day, and during three months on Wednesday evenings. The service of the Church has been performed and a sermon delivered on the principal Festivals and Fasts, and on Christmas Eve. There has also been an evening service and a sermon once a month in the school house, on Preston Plains.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, SIMSBURY, AND PARTS ADJACENT.

THE REV. RANSOM WARNER, RECTOR.

Families, (including those calling on the Rector for occasional services, in Simsbury, Granby and Bloomfield,) 150; communicants 125; marriages 10; baptisms—infants 7; burials 22; Sunday School scholars, (enrolled, about two hundred) usually attending the exercise of the school 35.

The Parish of St. Andrew's continues in much the same condi-

or many years. The people, composing the congregation, scattered over several townships and are, consequently, in weather and bad travelling, very irregular in their attendance at Church. For the same reason, the attendance of the children at the Sunday School is equally irregular and comparatively small. Subjects deeply regretted, but at present apparently without remedy.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

THE REV. WM. WATSON, RECTOR.

Members 117; baptisms—infants 8; communicants—added by 15, anew 6, lost by removal 7, death 4, present number 117; marriages 3; burials 12; Sunday School—teachers 25, scholars 110; Missionary and charitable contributions—to the Scholarship Society \$26, Society Promotion Christian Education \$16, Missionary Association of Litchfield County Domestic Missions \$75, Foreign Missions \$80, for the erection of a Chapel for the Jews \$7, for the relief of infirm Clergy \$108, for the erection of a Church in the village of Winsted, total \$360 08,—deducting \$71 32 reported as on hand at Convention, leaves the contributions for the year, for objects without the Parish, \$288 76. If to these contributions, extra parochial, were to be added the communion offerings and other collections made for charities and objects within the Parish, the sum total would be materially increased. It is to add, that twenty of the eighty dollars given to Foreign Missions was contributed by the pupils of the Sunday School for the support of a colored boy, in one of our Missions Schools on the East of Africa.

Services will be prepared for Confirmation, against the time of the Rector's Autumnal Visitation.

The round of services celebrated in this Church continues the same as at the time of my last report. The attendance of the congregation was never better—indeed the demand for sittings is greater than has heretofore been known. Upon the whole, therefore, we are able to record, with gratitude to God, that this venerable Church is in a prosperous condition. Though possessed of less numerical strength than it has sometimes enjoyed, yet is it able to sustain itself, and to give something to "him that needeth." And we trust its friends will be content, if they may but have that blessing of the Lord to which He "addeth no sorrow."

## ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, MILFORD.

THE REV. FERDINAND E. WHITE, RECTOR.

Families 40; baptisms—infants 5; confirmed 8; communicants 100; marriages 1; burials 3; offerings, (including the Communion) \$28 71.

This Church has been opened for Public Worship on every Lord's Day, on the Saints' Days of the Christian year, on every Wednesday and Friday in Lent, and on every day of Passion week.

*The Holy Communion* has been administered on the first Sunday of each month, upon each of the higher Festivals, and privately on several occasions to sick and infirm members of the Church.

*The Children* have continued, as noticed in former reports, under the instruction, exclusively, of the Rector; given on Sunday after the Morning Service; and on the first Sunday of each month immediately after Evening Prayer, in the place of the usual Sermon. The attendance of the adult portion of the Congregation upon this "Instruction," at the latter time mentioned, has been very encouraging; as general, and more on occasions than is witnessed upon the afternoons of the other Sundays of the month.

*The number* both of Families and Communicants has increased during the year past. Two of the latter have, however, been called away by death, and several, the Rector is pained to say, have for so long a period been habitually absent from the Lord's Table that they cannot be included in the number to be reported at this time.

In view of the past and the present, this Congregation continues to have cause, it is believed, to abound in hope of better things and in those "good works" to which an increase of grace is promised by Him, who has "prepared them for us to walk in."

## CALVARY CHURCH, STONINGTON.

THE REV. J. M. WILLET, RECTOR.

The Rector finds in the Borough of Stonington about twenty families, who, from various causes, have strong preferences for the discipline and worship of the Church. Among these are ten communicants.

The Parish is now engaged in strenuous efforts to procure the erection of a respectable Church edifice suited to the wants of this large and increasing Borough. Our present place of worship is so inconvenient as to render this measure almost necessary to our continued existence as a Parish.

I have no official act to report beyond the ordinary services of Sundays and the Holy Days, with the exception of the marriage service performed on seven occasions.

## CHRIST CHURCH, GREENWICH.

THE REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 12, adults 4, total 16; confirmed 12; communicants—added 18, removed 4; marriages 7; funerals—infants 5, adults 8, total 13; Sunday School—teachers 16, scholars 85; Church offerings \$133 07.

In November last, a temporary arrangement was made in that part of the Parish which includes EMMANUEL CHAPEL, GLENVILLE, by which I have consented to try the experiment, for one year, of a distinct Morning and Evening Sunday Service. Under this arrangement, the Rev. Horace Hills, Jr., of the Diocese of Michigan, is officiating there, whose official acts, as my *Locum tenens* of that part of the Parish, are included in the above report.

### TRINITY CHURCH, WOLCOTTVILLE.

THE REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families 53; baptisms—infants 5; communicants—added by removal 3, anew 1, lost by removal 6, whole number 23; marriages 4; buried 3; Sunday School—teachers 9, scholars 50, library books 250 volumes; collection for the Christian Knowledge Society \$8 37, for Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$2, for the Sunday School of the Parish \$5 70, from the fair and by subscription for parochial purposes \$280.

In addition to the above, individuals in the Parish have subscribed and promised towards liquidating the heavy debt, which threatened its destruction, about \$1100; of which, as near as the Rector can ascertain, \$963 has been paid in, and the residue will be, it is presumed, before long. Besides the \$1100 here spoken of, the Rector has obtained the following sums, for which, in behalf of the Parish, he makes very grateful acknowledgments: From New Milford, including \$3 from a lady from Brookfield, \$32; Birmingham \$25; Trinity Church, New Haven, \$60; St. Paul's, New Haven, \$53; Stratford \$30, Southport \$44 75; Norwalk \$30 32; Stamford \$20; Meriden \$10; Westport \$5; Greenwich \$5; Christ Church, Brooklyn, L. I. \$25; Church of the Ascension, N. Y. \$20; individuals in New York and Brooklyn \$97.

The attention of the Rector has been so much taken up with the temporal concerns of the Parish, that its spiritual interests have in a measure been neglected during the past year. Still he trusts that his efforts have not been in vain, and prays that the Divine blessing may make them effectual to the salvation of many souls.

### TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON.

The undersigned, Wardens, report: that since Easter, when the connection of the Rev. Isaac Jones with this Church ceased, lay services have been conducted without interruption by Mr. W. O. Jarvis, a Candidate for Orders from Litchfield. A Sunday School, numbering from 30 to 40 scholars, has been organized, and a Sunday School Library has been procured. The average attendance upon the services is from 80 to 90 persons.

GAD GUILD, } Wardens.  
ALBAN GUILD, }

## SUMMARY OF PARISHAL REPORTS.

|                                                                  |           |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Parishes reported in 32 Parishes (not given in 8 other reports,) |           | 6134        |
| <b>Baptisms:</b>                                                 |           |             |
| of Infants in 31 Parishes                                        | - - -     | 642         |
| of Adults in 41 Parishes                                         | - - -     | 152         |
|                                                                  |           | —794        |
| Confirmations reported in 32 Parishes                            | - - -     | 395         |
| <b>Communicants:</b>                                             |           |             |
| added by removal in 35 Parishes                                  | - - -     | 289         |
| “ new in 35 Parishes                                             | - - -     | 277         |
| lost by removal in 40 Parishes                                   | - - -     | 266         |
| lost by death in 43 Parishes                                     | - - -     | 116         |
| reported as added, without distinction & manner, in 19 Parishes, | }         | 234         |
| present number in 75 Parishes (not given in 6 reports,)          |           |             |
|                                                                  |           | 7556        |
| Marriages,                                                       | - - - - - | 386         |
| Burials,                                                         | - - - - - | 619         |
| <b>Sunday School:</b>                                            |           |             |
| Teachers,                                                        | - - - - - | 657         |
| Scholars,                                                        | - - - - - | 3982        |
| Missionary and Charitable Contributions,                         | - - -     | \$10,912 14 |

# APPENDIX B.

*y for Promoting Christian Knowledge in account with* **WIL-**  
**LIAM T. LEE, Treasurer.** **DR.**

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|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1. | To Cash paid Rev. Mr. Fash, per order Rev. Mr. Watson, Sec. L. C. M. A. | \$125 00 |
|    | do. Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, special for Weston,                           | 20 00    |
|    | do. Rev. N. S. Richardson, for Church debt, Derby,                      | 10 00    |
|    | do. Rev. Mr. Frisbie, per order Rev. Mr. Watson, Sec.                   | 50 00    |
|    | do. Rev. Mr. Fash, per order Rev. Dr. Holcomb, Treas.                   | 12 00    |
| 3. | do. Rev. G. S. Gordon, Huntington, per Bishop,                          | 30 00    |
|    | do. Rev. J. Coe, 2nd, for Bethlem, to Easter last,                      | 30 00    |
|    | do. Rev. W. Atwill, Bridgewater, Easter last,                           | 15 00    |
|    | do. Rev. Wm. Warland, Salisbury, do.                                    | 30 00    |
|    | do. Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, Weston, do.                                   | 30 00    |
|    | do. Rev. B. M. Yarrington, Glenville, do.                               | 50 00    |
|    | do. Rev. E. J. Ives, Zoar, do.                                          | 15 00    |
|    | do. Rev. Roswell Park, Pomfret, do.                                     | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, Hebron, do.                                   | 50 00    |
|    | do. Rev. G. W. Nichols, East Haven, do.                                 | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. James McKay, Westville, do.                                    | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. F. E. White, Milford, do.                                      | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. N. S. Richardson, Derby, do.                                   | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. J. D. Smith, Woodbridge, do.                                   | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven, do.                                  | 25 00    |
| 0. | do. Rev. W. B. Corbyn, Manchester, do.                                  | 28 00    |
| 3. | do. Rev. Mr. Deshon, Glastenbury, do.                                   | 50 00    |
|    | do. Rev. G. W. Nichols, East Haven, balance of app. for 1845 and 6,     | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. F. E. White, Milford, do.                                      | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. N. S. Richardson, Derby, do.                                   | 25 00    |
|    | do. Rev. F. Miller, Branford, do.                                       | 12 00    |

(Amount carried up,) **\$807 00**

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|           |                                                       | (Amount brought up,) | \$807 00  |
| Mar. 6.   | To Cash paid Rev. William Atwill, balance of          |                      |           |
|           | app. for 1845 and 6,                                  |                      | 10 00     |
|           | do. Rev. J. Coe, 2nd, Bethlem,                        | do.                  | 20 00     |
|           | do. Rev. J. D. Smith, Wolcott,                        | do.                  | 25 00     |
|           | do. Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven,                    |                      | 25 00     |
|           | do. Rev. J. D. Smith, Wolcott, special                |                      |           |
|           | from Waterbury,                                       |                      | 25 00     |
| April 12. | do. Rev. F. E. White, Milford, to Easter last,        |                      | 50 00     |
|           | do. Rev. A. B. Chapin, West Haven,                    | do.                  | 50 00     |
|           | do. Rev. E. J. Ives, Woodbridge,                      | do.                  | 12 00     |
|           | do. do. St. Luke's, New Haven,                        | do.                  | 12 00     |
| April 28. | do. Rev. A. Jackson, New Britain,                     | do.                  | 50 00     |
| 29.       | do. Rev. William Payne, Windsor,                      | do.                  | 50 00     |
| May 12.   | do. Rev. Mr. Willey, Stonington, for present year,    |                      | 100 00    |
| 15.       | do. Rev. Mr. Frisbie, Hitchcockville, to Easter last, |                      | 50 00     |
| June 7.   | do. Rev. Dr. Totten, for services at Unionville,      | do.                  | 50 00     |
|           | do. Balance to new account,                           |                      | 230 07    |
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|           |                                                       |                      | \$1566 07 |

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| 1846.    |                                                                                                                                                  | CR |           |
| June 1.  | By balance brought from old account,                                                                                                             |    | \$179 92  |
| 10.      | do. amount of collection in Trinity Church after Sermon, before Society,                                                                         |    | 50 00     |
|          | do. amount of collections at Convention acknowledged in last Journal,                                                                            |    | 596 78    |
| July 14. | do. Cash from St. John's Hartford, by Mrs. Burr, Hartford County, \$50; do. for destitute and infirm Clergymen's Fund, \$30; Prayer Books, \$20, |    | 100 00    |
| 16.      | do. Cash from St. Mark's Church, New Britain,                                                                                                    |    | 2 00      |
| Aug. 10. | do. do. from St. John's Church, Hartford,                                                                                                        |    | 28 00     |
| Sept. 1. | do. do. from Trinity Church, New Haven,                                                                                                          |    | 50 00     |
| 9.       | do. do. received for dividend on two shares Phoenix Bank Stock,                                                                                  |    | 8 00      |
| 18.      | do. do. from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                                                            |    | 50 70     |
| Nov. 7.  | do. do. received for dividend on four shares Farmers & Mechanics Bank Stock,                                                                     |    | 14 00     |
| 1847.    |                                                                                                                                                  |    |           |
| Jan. 18. | do. do. from Christ Church, Hartford,                                                                                                            |    | 53 00     |
| 23.      | do. do. from Trinity Church, Fairfield,                                                                                                          |    | 8 60      |
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|          | (Amount carried up,)                                                                                                                             |    | \$1141 00 |



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|        | (Amount brought up,)                                                   | \$1141 00 |
| 3.     | By Cash from St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,<br>monthly offering for Jan., | 15 42     |
| do.    | do. from St. Mark's Church, New Canaan,                                | 2 33      |
| do.    | do. from Christ Church, Middletown,                                    | 7 00      |
| 3.do.  | do. from St. Paul's Church, New Haven,<br>(\$25, for West Haven,)      | 100 00    |
| 3.do.  | do. received for dividend of two shares<br>Phoenix Bank Stock,         | 8 00      |
| 12.do. | do. from Trinity Church, New Haven,                                    | 120 00    |
| do.    | do. from Christ Church, West Haven,                                    | 4 00      |
| 1.do.  | do. from Christ Church, Derby,                                         | 5 20      |
| 2.do.  | do. from St. James' Church, New London,<br>for Stonington,             | 100 00    |
| 7.do.  | do. from Christ Church, Hartford,                                      | 49 12     |
| 2.do.  | do. from dividend on four shares Farmers<br>& Mechanics Bank Stock,    | 14 00     |
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|        |                                                                        | \$1566 07 |
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7. By balance from old account brought down, 230 07  
 the above amount there remains due Manchester \$22; poor  
 sabbled Clergymen's Fund \$30; Prayer Books \$20; Total,  
 leaving the balance unappropriated, \$158 07.

permanent Fund consists of *Two* shares Phoenix Bank  
 and *Four* shares Farmers & Mechanics Bank Stock.

E. E. Hartford, June 7th, 1847.

WILLIAM T. LEE, *Treasurer.*

*Contributions made at Convention\* to the Society for Promoting  
 Christian Knowledge in this Diocese, June 9th and 10th, 1847.*

|                                              |         |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|
| St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,              | \$10 75 |
| St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, for Stonington, | 12 00   |
| St. Andrew's Church, Guilford,               | 50 00   |
| St. Mark's Church, New Canaan,               | 93      |
| St. Martin's, Church, Wolcott,               | 7 25    |
| St. Peter's Church, Monroe,                  | 3 44    |
| St. John's Church, Branford,                 | 5 00    |
| St. John's Church, Bristol,                  | 5 00    |
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| (Amount carried up,)                         | \$94 37 |

\* Contributions made at other times are acknowledged elsewhere.

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| (Amount brought up,)                                                | \$94 37  |
| Christ Church, Westport,                                            | 6 42     |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,                                      | 15 00    |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,                                         | 16 36    |
| St. George's, Milford,                                              | 1 50     |
| St. James' Church, Derby, (Birmingham,)                             | 9 87     |
| Christ Church, Greenwich, (for Glenville,)                          | 12 55    |
| Trinity Church Fairfield,                                           | 21 00    |
| St. John's Church, Salisbury,                                       | 6 00     |
| St. James' Church, Fair Haven,                                      | 5 00     |
| Christ Church, Stratford,                                           | 12 05    |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,                                       | 6 00     |
| Christ Church, Norwich, for Poquetonnock \$9, Stoning-<br>ton \$50, | 59 00    |
| St. James' Church Westville,                                        | 4 00     |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford,                                  | 3 00     |
| Union Church, Killingworth,                                         | 1 00     |
| Zion Church, North Branford,                                        | 1 00     |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury, (\$12 50 for Southbury,)              | 50 00    |
| Christ Church, Sharon, (omitted to be entered last year,)           | 9 00     |
| Trinity Church, Portland,                                           | 20 00    |
| St. Thomas' Church, Bethel,                                         | 6 00     |
| St. John's Church, Stamford,                                        | 47 22    |
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,                                       | 15 00    |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport, (for Wolcottville,)                  | 10 00    |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford,                                     | 5 00     |
| St. John's Church, Essex,                                           | 2 00     |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonnock,                                    | 2 00     |
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|                                                                     | \$394 34 |

# APPENDIX C.

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## CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD, June 10, 1847.

The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary presented the Report of the Board of Education, which was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's Report was also presented, read and accepted.

The following Resolutions were, on motion, unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Society, the Church has amply provided for the systematic and perpetual renewal of prayers and efforts for the supply of the Holy Ministry, and that a religious and faithful observance of the Ember Seasons would tend to secure a deeper attention to this matter, and a more abundant blessing from the Lord of the Harvest.

*Resolved*, that it is submitted with deference, to the reverend Clergy, whether the recurrence of these seasons does not furnish a favorable opportunity for collections in behalf of the Church Scholarship Society, and for exhortations addressed to young men and their parents, as to the claims upon their personal attention, of the wants of the Church, with regard to the Ministry of the blessed Gospel of Jesus Christ.

On motion,

*Resolved*, that the Board of Education is hereby authorized to remit the full amount of claims held by the Society against the Rev. David P. Sanford.

The following Officers were nominated and chosen for the ensuing year :

### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

|                                |                         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| THE REV. SILAS TOTTEN, D. D.   | DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.       |
| THE REV. GEORGE BURGESS, D. D. | ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq. |
| THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.           | DENISON MORGAN, Esq.    |

F. J. HUNTINGTON, Esq.

*Secretary*, THE REV. A. C. COXE.

*Treasurer*, JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Rectors of Parishes be earnestly requested, either to make a collection in aid of the Society, or to devote to

it a portion of the amount raised in their stated collections, and to remit the same to the Treasurer before the first of October next.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be directed to cause a copy of the above Resolution to be printed and sent, as a Circular, to each Clergyman of the Diocese.

On motion, Adjourned.

A. C. COXE, *Secretary*.

## REPORT.

The Board of Education respectfully reports to the Church Scholarship Society, that they have now under their care *ten* young gentlemen, undergraduates of Trinity College; of whom *seven* have been added as new beneficiaries. The number of those who have ceased to receive the aid of the Society, according to its constitutional provisions, is *four*; and the Board regrets to add that *one* who was for a short time on their roll of beneficiaries, has been dismissed for unworthiness of character. The Society is assured of the determination of the Board, to insist on high qualifications, as to moral worth, in every participant of its bounty; so that it may be honourable to any young man to continue under its care.

By the report of the Treasurer, it will be seen that the finances of the Society are far from presenting an encouraging view. The Board have requested a collection from every Parish which adds a beneficiary to its roll: but this request has not always been complied with; and they are compelled to hope that some efficient measures will be taken to ensure the more general patronage of the Church. From the peculiar nature of their duties, the Board are led to feel, more forcibly than is generally the case, how greatly inadequate is the supply of candidates for Holy Orders to the wants of the Church, and the spiritual destitution of many portions of the country. They may, perhaps, be forgiven, for renewing the suggestion that something should be done to make the recruiting of the ranks of the Ministry a matter of system and of foresight. In a day of necessity, and when so many forms of fanaticism and error are actively pre-occupying the land, it is hardly enough to leave the responsibility of choosing the Redeemer's service to the unaided judgment of, here and there, a tender-minded youth. While it is to be hoped that those who actually offer themselves, are all led by the HOLY GHOST, is it not to be feared that many who choose the more dazzling rewards of worldly callings do so in disregard of the same godly motions, and many providential directions to the labour of CHRIST's harvest? Ought not the consciences of the young to be subject to some systematic assistance in making choice of the course of life in which they shall glorify God? While the Board thus gives warning of evils which their

osition enables them to observe, they are not aware that it is within their appropriate sphere to propose a remedy, or to do more than urge the great objects of the Society upon the prayers and charities of the Church.

Respectfully submitted, by order of the Board.

A. C. COXE, *Secretary.*

*Hartford, June 6, 1847.*

*Church Scholarship Society, in account with JAMES M. GOODWIN,*  
*Treasurer. DR.*

|         |                                                                                  |                  |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| 846.    |                                                                                  |                  |
| June 4. | To cash paid postage,                                                            | \$00 05          |
| 847.    |                                                                                  |                  |
| Mar. 9. | To interest paid on note discounted at Phoenix Bank,                             | 2 36             |
| May 12. | " Bills payable, paid note at Phoenix Bank,                                      | 225 00           |
| June 7. | " Bills receivable for loans to beneficiaries, from June 11, 1846, to this date, | 740 00           |
|         | " Cash on hand,                                                                  | 90 90            |
|         |                                                                                  | <u>\$1058 31</u> |

*CR.*

|           |                                                      |                  |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| 846.      |                                                      |                  |
| June 9.   | By Cash on hand,                                     | \$137 18         |
| 12.       | do. from St. James' Church, Birmingham,              | 16 36            |
|           | do. from Christ Church, Middletown,                  | 6 25             |
|           | do. from St. John's Church, Bridgeport,              | 10 00            |
| July 11.  | do. Bills Receivable, of John Kelley, repaid,        | 80 00            |
| Aug. 13.  | do. do. of Rev. Z. Mansfield, do.                    | 35 00            |
|           | do. Interest collected of "                          | 10 50            |
| 24.       | do. from Christ Church, Hartford,                    | 41 29            |
| Sept. 28. | do. Bills Receivable of Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, repaid,  | 50               |
| Dec. 4.   | do. from Christ Church, Hartford,                    | 42 52            |
| 847.      |                                                      |                  |
| Jan. 5.   | do. Bills Receivable, of Rev. Sheldon Davis, repaid, | 20 00            |
| 8.        | do. from Trinity Church, Fairfield,                  | 12 00            |
| Feb. 20.  | do. from St. John's Church, Waterbury,               | 50 00            |
| Mar. 9.   | do. Bills Receivable, of Rev. Sheldon Davis, repaid, | 30 00            |
| 10.       | do. Bills Payable, borrowed at Phoenix Bk.           | 225 00           |
| Apr 20.   | do. from Christ Church, Hartford,                    | 36 90            |
|           | do. from St. John's Church, do.                      | 23 31            |
| May 12.   | do. Bills Payable, borrow'd of J. M. Goodwin,        | 225 00           |
| June 5.   | do. from Christ Church, Middletown,                  | 7 00             |
|           |                                                      | <u>\$1058 31</u> |

1847.

June 7. By Cash on hand, \$90 90  
 11. do. from St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, 26 00

Errors Excepted. June 7, 1847.

J. M. GOODWIN, *Treasurer*.

June 8, 1847. I have examined the annexed account, and find it correct.

SILAS TOTTEN, *Auditor*.

## SYNOPSIS.

|                        |                  |                              |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| Paid to Beneficiaries, | \$740 00         | Cash on hand,                | \$137 18         |
| " Interest,            | 2 36             | Donations and Subscriptions, | 245 63           |
| " Money borrowed,      | 225 00           | Money borrowed,              | 450 00           |
| " Expenses,            | 5                | Repaid by Beneficiaries,     | 215              |
| Cash on hand,          | 90 90            | Interest collected,          | 10 50            |
|                        | <u>\$1052 31</u> |                              | <u>\$1052 31</u> |

| DR.                       | BALANCE SHEET.     | JUNE 7, 1847.           | CR.                |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Cash,                     | \$90 90            | Bills Payable,          | \$225 00           |
| Expense account,          | 1163 92            | Donations and Subscrip- |                    |
| Rev. Wm. Barlow, bal. ac. | 180 87             | tions,                  | 12,644 13          |
| Profit and loss,          | 273 00             | Interest account,       | 340 61             |
| Bills Receivable,         | 11,501 4           |                         |                    |
|                           | <u>\$13,209 73</u> |                         | <u>\$13,209 73</u> |

# APPENDIX D.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Diocese of Connecticut in account with Wm. T. LEE, Treasurer. DR.*

|          |                                                              |          |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 846.     |                                                              |          |
| June 10. | To cash paid Rev. E. E. Beardsley, Transcribing Journal. &c. | \$3 06   |
|          | To cash paid for Stationary at Convention,                   | 42       |
| July 10. | To cash paid Wm. Faxon, bill Printing Journal.               | 137 57   |
| 847.     |                                                              |          |
| June 7.  | Balance carried forward,                                     | 119 44   |
|          |                                                              | <hr/>    |
|          |                                                              | \$260 49 |

*CR.*

|         |                                                                                     |          |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 846.    |                                                                                     |          |
| June 8. | By balance on hand from old account,                                                | \$32 91  |
| 11.     | By cash received at Convention, from sixty-three Parishes, acknowledged in Journal, | 227 58   |
|         |                                                                                     | <hr/>    |
|         |                                                                                     | \$260 49 |

|         |                                   |          |
|---------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| 847.    |                                   |          |
| June 7. | By cash on hand from old account, | \$119 44 |
|         | E. E. Hartford, June 7th, 1847.   |          |
|         | WILLIAM T. LEE, Treasurer.        |          |

*The following Parishes have paid their Assessments to the Convention Fund for 1847, required by Canon II.*

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, - | \$4 12 |
| St. Peter's, Plymouth, -            | 4 88   |
| Trinity Church, Brooklyn, -         | 2 62   |
| Trinity Church, Branford, -         | 3 00   |
| St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury, -   | 3 50   |
| Christ Church, Guilford, -          | 3 75   |
| St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, -    | 3 00   |
| Christ Church, Westport, -          | 3 75   |
| All Saints' Church, Wolcott, -      | 2 00   |

(Amount carried up,) \$30 62

| (Amount brought up,)                    |   |   |   |   | \$30 62  |
|-----------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------|
| Christ Church, Greenwich,               | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Middletown,              | - | - | - | - | 5 25     |
| St. Peter's Church, Monroe,             | - | - | - | - | 2 43     |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport,          | - | - | - | - | 7 50     |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury,           | - | - | - | - | 5 60     |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,          | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield,              | - | - | - | - | 4 50     |
| St. James' Church, Derby, (Birmingham,) | - | - | - | - | 6 00     |
| St. Paul's Church, New Haven,           | - | - | - | - | 11 25    |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,             | - | - | - | - | 4 50     |
| Christ Church, Bethlem,                 | - | - | - | - | 2 25     |
| St. George's Church, Milford,           | - | - | - | - | 2 25     |
| St. Andrew's Church, Meriden,           | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Quakers' Farms,          | - | - | - | - | 1 60     |
| St. Peter's Church, Oxford,             | - | - | - | - | 1 69     |
| St. James' Church, New London,          | - | - | - | - | 5 62     |
| Trinity Church, New Haven,              | - | - | - | - | 9 00     |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck,        | - | - | - | - | 2 50     |
| Union Church, Hitchcockville,           | - | - | - | - | 1 12     |
| St. John's Church, Salisbury,           | - | - | - | - | 3 38     |
| St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,         | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. James' Church, Fair Haven,          | - | - | - | - | 4 50     |
| Christ Church, Stratford,               | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Roxbury,                 | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,           | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth,         | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| Christ Church, Harwinton,               | - | - | - | - | 1 69     |
| St. Mark's Church, New Britain,         | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. Andrew's Church, New Preston,       | - | - | - | - | 2 50     |
| St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,         | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Norwich,                 | - | - | - | - | 7 50     |
| St. James' Church, Poquetonnock,        | - | - | - | - | 3 00     |
| St. John's Church, Essex,               | - | - | - | - | 2 00     |
| Christ Church, Trumbull,                | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| Grace Church, do.                       | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. John's Church, N. Guilford,         | - | - | - | - | 1 25     |
| Union Church, North Killingworth,       | - | - | - | - | 38       |
| Zion Church, North Branford,            | - | - | - | - | 37       |
| St. James' Church, Westville,           | - | - | - | - | 2 50     |
| Trinity Church, Portland,               | - | - | - | - | 4 50     |
| Trinity Church, Wolcottville,           | - | - | - | - | 2 50     |
| Christ Church, North Canaan,            | - | - | - | - | 1 60     |
| St. Thomas' Church, Bethel,             | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| St. James' Church, Danbury,             | - | - | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Pomfret,                 | - | - | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. Peter's Church, Hebron,             | - | - | - | - | 2 25     |
| (Amount carried up,)                    |   |   |   |   | \$184 50 |



|                                     |                      |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
|                                     | (Amount brought up,) | \$184 50 |
| brew's Church, Northford, - - - - - |                      | 3 75     |
| Church, Watertown, - - - - -        |                      | 4 50     |
| n's Church, North Haven, - - - - -  |                      | 1 50     |
| Church, Hamden, - - - - -           |                      | 1 50     |
| Church, Hartford, - - - - -         |                      | 9 00     |
| n's Church, Hartford, - - - - -     |                      | 7 50     |
| Church, Bristol, - - - - -          |                      | 3 00     |
|                                     |                      | <hr/>    |
|                                     |                      | \$215 25 |

*Following Parishes did not pay into the Convention Fund for the current year, as required by Canon II.*

|                        |             |              |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| indsor, (W. H. Point.) | Middlebury, | Northfield,  |
| r,                     | Bethany,    | New Milford, |
| m,                     | Stamford,   | Sharon,      |
| Haddam,                | Wilton,     | Kent,        |
| addam,                 | Ridgefield, | Washington,  |
| ven, (Christ Church,)  | Reading,    | Woodbury.    |
| aven,                  | Newtown,    |              |
| (St. James',)          | Huntington, |              |

*tions\* received from the following Parishes for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen required by Canon XIII.*

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Church, Branford,       | \$5 00   |
| Church, Guilford,       | 4 45     |
| c's Church, New Canaan, | 2 63     |
| Church, Brooklyn,       | 7 25     |
| Church, Bristol,        | 5 00     |
| hurch, Westport,        | 8 20     |
| 's Church, Brookfield,  | 8 00     |
| hurch, Bethlem,         | 2 84     |
| 's Church, Norwalk,     | 19 06    |
| ge's Church, Milford,   | 1 00     |
| ew's Church, Meriden,   | 5 00     |
| s' Church, New London,  | 44 65    |
| hurch, Greenwich,       | 5 50     |
| hurch, Middletown,      | 7 00     |
| Church, Fairfield,      | 21 50    |
|                         | <hr/>    |
| (Amount carried up,)    | \$147 08 |

*includes those contributions only which were made at the time of Convention. Others added elsewhere.*

by civil or ecclesiastical authority ; and ministers whose age and infirmities prevent from exercising the clerical functions ; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese which shall have been received into union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention, by one delegate ; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two ; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Rector, Wardens, or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business ; but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body ; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide ; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention ; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or Instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese ; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as, agreeably to their own rules or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this

Convention shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

**ART. 11.** A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

**ART. 12.** When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention, within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

**ART. 13.** The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner:—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay Delegates; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice; provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present; otherwise, two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

**ART. 14.** Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

**ART. 15.** No clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

**ART. 16.** This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the Journals of the Convention.

CANONS  
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IN THE  
DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

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**CANON I.**—*Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports. (Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)*

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention of 1835, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages, and funerals solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, and of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants, in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

**CANON II.**—*Providing for the Convention Fund. (1838.)*

The several Parishes in this Diocese shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one

hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

**ANON III.**—*Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitutions and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

**ANON IV.**—*Of the manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut :*

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H. [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. to trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided. [Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being : five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case ; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of grounds of his defence on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall

choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty* or *not guilty*, according to the evidence; and if *guilty*, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court; and an attested copy of this record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial, stating his grounds for such decision: or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may in his opinion require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

**CANON V.**—*Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them.* (1826.)

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman, having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

**CANON VI.**—*Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee.* (1826.)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting. The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present—the names

the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the Journals of the Convention, and published herewith.

**CANON VII.—*Concerning Parochial Collections.* (1839.)**

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

**CANON VIII.—*For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures.* (1828.)**

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless on special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

**CANON IX.—*Concerning Annual Parish Meetings.* (1830.)**

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed, for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting; which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

**CANON X. (1838.)**

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence to the Bishop.

**CANON XI.—*Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention.* (1839.)**

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare

an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitution and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

**CANON XII.—Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen. (1830.)**

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be obtained.

**CANON XIII.—Providing for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen. (1846—altered 1847.)**

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to make a collection, either on Whitsunday or Trinity Sunday, in each year, to be applied under the direction of the Bishop and Standing Committee, according to circumstances, and as there may seem to be an existing necessity, for the relief of aged or infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of an adequate and comfortable support; and also of destitute widows of Clergymen belonging to this Diocese.

In appropriations for Clergymen, special reference shall be had to cases in which it may appear that the necessity has resulted, in any measure, from the zealous endeavours of the individual to make himself useful in the cause of his Divine Master.



# LIST OF THE CLERGY

## OF THE

### DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN CONVENTION, 1847.

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**The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D., Bishop ; residing at Hartford.**

**The Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rector of St. James', Birmingham.**

“ **William Atwill, Minister of St. Andrew's, Kent, and Christ Church, Canaan.**

“ **David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's, North Guilford.**

“ **Henry H. Bates, Rector of St. John's, Warehouse Point.**

“ **E. Edwards Beardsley, Rector of St. Peter's, Cheshire.**

“ **Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.**

“ **Joshua D. Berry, Minister of St. Paul's, Bantam Falls, and Trinity Church, Northfield.**

“ **John Betts, Minister of St. Peter's, Monroe.**

“ **Wm. White Bronson, Rector of Christ Church, Trumbull.**

“ **Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's, Wallingford.**

“ **\*Edward C. Bull, Rector of Christ Church, Westport.**

“ **George Burgess, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.**

“ **\*Daniel Burhans, D. D., residing at Poughkeepsie.**

“ **Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.**

“ **Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven.**

“ **Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's, Waterbury.**

“ **Francis J. Clerc, Minister of Grace Church, Broad Brook.**

“ **Jonathan Coe, 2d., Rector of Union Church, Hitchcockville, and Missionary at Winsted.**

“ **Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's, Bridgeport.**

“ **Samuel Cooke, Rector of St. Paul's, New Haven.**

“ **Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fairfield.**

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**Clergymen to whose names an asterisk (\*) is prefixed, were not present during the session of a Convention.**

- The Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of St. John's, Essex.**
- " **A. Cleveland Coxe, Rector of St. John's, Hartford.**
- " **Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.**
- " **Giles H. Deshon, Rector of St. Luke's, Glastenbury.**
- " **Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.**
- " **Charles W. Everest, Minister of Grace Church, Hamden, and St. John's, North Haven.**
- " **Charles R. Fisher, Missionary at Manchester Mills.**
- " **Henry Fitch, Rector of St. Andrew's, Northford.**
- " **George L. Foote, Rector of Christ Church, Roxbury, and Minister of Church of the Resurrection, Southbury.**
- " **William H. Frisbie, Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.**
- " **Samuel Fuller, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's, Litchfield.**
- " **Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Stephen's, East Haddam.**
- " **Frederick J. Goodwin, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.**
- " **Henry V. Gardner, Rector of St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and Christ Church, Harwinton.**
- " **John M. Guion, Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.**
- " **\*Thomas T. Guion, Rector of St. James', Danbury.**
- " **Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James', New London.**
- " **Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Peter's, Hebron.**
- " **Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.**
- " **Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's, New Milford.**
- " **Abner Jackson, Professor in Trinity College, and Minister of St. Mark's, New Britain.**
- " **S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam, residing at Middletown.**
- " **William Jarvis, residing at Portland.**
- " **Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.**
- " **\*Isaac Jones, residing at Litchfield.**
- " **James McKay, Rector of St. Michael's, Naugatuck.**
- " **William Long, Minister of St. Andrew's, New Preston, and St. John's, Washington.**
- " **\*Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.**
- " **Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Norwalk.**
- " **\*J. D. Mead, residing at Norwalk.**
- " **Frederick Miller, Jun., Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.**
- " **\*Martin Moody, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.**
- " **William F. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.**
- " **Cyrus Munson, Rector of St. Andrew's, Meriden.**
- " **Henry D. Noble, Rector of St. James', Brookfield.**

- The Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.**
- “ **Abel Nichols, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville,**
- “ **G. Huntington Nichols, Rector of St. John's, Salisbury.**
- “ **George W. Nichols, Rector of St. James', Westville.**
- “ **Abel Ogden, Rector of St. Mark's, Bridgewater.**
- “ **\*Henry Olmstead, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's, Ridge-**  
**field.**
- “ **Seth B. Paddock, Principal Episcopal Academy, Ches-**  
**hire.**
- “ **Roswell Park, Rector of Christ Church, Pomfret.**
- “ **William Payne, Editor of The Calendar, Hartford.**
- “ **\*Dexter Potter, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.**
- “ **John Purves, Rector of St. Thomas', Bethel.**
- “ **\*Charles S. Putnam, Rector of St. Paul's, Woodbury.**
- “ **Nathaniel S. Richardson, Rector of Christ Church,**  
**Derby.**
- “ **\*Henry F. Roberts, Rector of St. James', Poqueton-**  
**nock.**
- “ **\*T. S. Savage, Missionary to Africa.**
- “ **Joseph Scott, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.**
- “ **David H. Short, Rector of St. Mark's, New Canaan.**
- “ **John D. Smith, Minister of All Saints', Wolcott.**
- “ **\*David P. Sanford, Rector of St. Peter's, Oxford, and**  
**Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.**
- “ **S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, New-**  
**town.**
- “ **A. S. Todd, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Stamford.**
- “ **\*David G. Tomlinson, residing at Trumbull.**
- “ **Joseph P. Taylor, Minister of Christ Church, Reading.**
- “ **Silas Totten, D. D., President of Trinity College.**
- “ **Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's, Simsbury.**
- “ **William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's, Plymouth.**
- “ **Ferdinand E. White, Rector of St. George's, Milford.**
- “ **Junius M. Willey, Minister of Calvary Church, Stoning-**  
**ton.**
- “ **Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church,**  
**Middle Haddam.**
- “ **Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church,**  
**Greenwich.**
- “ **Henry Zell, Rector of Trinity Church, Wolcottville.**
- “ **William E. Vibbert, Rector of St. James', Fair Haven.**
- “ **E. J. Ives.**

**Total, 90.**

**CLERGYMEN NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1847.**

|                              |                                 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>The Rev. A. B. Beach,</b> | <b>The Rev. B. G. Noble,</b>    |
| “ <b>G. Benton,</b>          | “ <b>A. Spooner,</b>            |
| “ <b>B. Benham,</b>          | “ <b>S. Servilius Stocking,</b> |
| “ <b>P. G. Clark,</b>        | “ <b>G. S. White,</b>           |
| “ <b>Wm. Everett,</b>        | “ <b>M. Wilcox,</b>             |
| “ <b>G. S. Gordon,</b>       | “ <b>J. J. Brandigee.</b>       |
| “ <b>John Morgan,</b>        | <b>Total, 13.</b>               |

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.**

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>James G. Blair, A. B.</b>     | <b>Frederick D. Harriman, A. B.</b> |
| <b>Thomas M. Peters, A. B.</b>   | <b>Thomas R. Pynchon, A. B.</b>     |
| <b>Charles W. Wooster, A. B.</b> | <b>Gilbert B. Hayden,</b>           |
| <b>Henry Edwards, A. B.</b>      | <b>William O. Jarvis,</b>           |
| <b>Joseph Brewster, A. B.</b>    | <b>Richard Green,</b>               |
| <b>John C. Sterling, A. B.</b>   | <b>De Witt C. Loop, A. B.</b>       |
| <b>Oliver S. Prescott,</b>       | <b>Nathan Merrill, A. B.</b>        |
| <b>James C. French,</b>          | <b>Ruel H. Tuttle, A. B.</b>        |
| <b>Timothy Wilcoxon,</b>         | <b>John W. Birchmore, A. B.</b>     |
| <b>Alexander Capron, A. B.</b>   | <b>John A. Paddock, A. B.</b>       |
| <b>Robert C. Rogers, A. B.</b>   | <b>Collis J. Potter,</b>            |
| <b>Noble Palmer, A. B.</b>       | <b>Edward O. Flagg.</b>             |
|                                  | <b>Total, 24.</b>                   |

# LIST OF PARISHES

## OF THE

### ROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIO- CESE OF CONNECTICUT, 1847.

#### HARTFORD COUNTY.

Hartford, { Christ Church,  
St. John's Church,  
St. James' Parish, (West Hartford.)

Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.

Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.

Granby, St. Peter's Church.

East Windsor, { (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.  
(Broad Brook,) Grace Church.

Southington, ——— Church.

Bristol, Trinity Church.

New Britain, St. Mark's Church.

Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

Manchester, St. Mary's Parish.

Unionville, Christ Church.

#### WINDHAM COUNTY.

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.

Pomfret, Christ Church.

Windham, St. Paul's Church.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Middletown, Christ Church,

Portland, Trinity Church.

Middle Haddam, Christ Church.

East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.

Saybrook, { Grace Church,  
St. John's Church, (Essex.)

North Killingworth, Union Church.

Haddam, Church of the Holy Trinity.

#### NEW LONDON COUNTY.

New London, St. James' Church.

Norwich, Christ Church.

Preston, (Poquetonnock,) St. James' Church.

Salem, Christ Church.

Stonington, Calvary Church.

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

New Haven, { Trinity Church,  
St. Paul's Church,  
St. James' Church, (Westville,)  
St. Luke's Church, (African.)

Guilford, Christ Church.  
 North Guilford, St. John's Church.  
 Branford, Trinity Church.  
 North Branford, Christ Church.  
 East Haven, { Christ Church,  
                   { St. James' Church, (Fair Haven.)  
 North Haven, St. John's Church.  
 Northford, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.  
 Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.  
 Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Hamden, Grace Church.  
 West Haven, Christ Church.  
 Milford, St. George's Church.  
 Derby, { St. James' Church, (Birmingham.)  
           { Christ Church.  
 Humphreysville, Union Church.  
 Oxford, { St. Peter's Church,  
           { Christ Church, (Quakers' Farms.)  
 Waterbury, St. John's Church.  
 Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.  
 Middlebury, ——— Church.  
 Bethany, Christ Church.  
 Wolcott, All Saints' Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.  
 Southbury, Church of the Resurrection.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Stratford, Christ Church.  
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.  
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.  
 Weston, ——— Church.  
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.  
 Stamford, St. John's Church.  
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.  
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.  
 Danbury, St. James' Church.  
 Bethel, St. Thomas' Church.  
 Reading, Christ Church.  
 Newtown, { Trinity Church,  
               { St. James' Church, (Zoar.)  
 Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.  
 Huntington, St. Paul's Church.  
 Monroe, St. Peter's Church.  
 Trumbull, { Christ Church,  
               { Grace Church.  
 New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.  
 Greenwich, { Christ Church,  
                { Emmanuel Church, (Glenville.)  
 Westport, Christ Church.

**LITCHFIELD COUNTY.**

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.  
 Bantam Falls, St. Paul's Church.  
 Milton, Trinity Church.  
 Northfield, Trinity Church.  
 New Milford, St. John's Church.  
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.  
 Sharon, Christ Church.  
 Kent, St. Andrew's Church.  
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Washington, St. John's Church.  
 Salisbury, St. John's Church.  
 Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.  
 Roxbury, Christ Church.  
 Watertown, Christ Church.  
 North Canaan, Christ Church,  
 Plymouth, { St. Peter's Church,  
                   { St. Matthew's Church.  
 Hitchcockville, Union Church.  
 Harwinton, Christ Church.  
 Wolcottville, Trinity Parish.

**TOLLAND COUNTY.**

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.  
 Coventry, St. Clement's Parish.

**FORM OF CERTIFICATE****OF THE APPOINTMENT OF LAY DELEGATE.**

This certifies that at a meeting of the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ Church,  
 \_\_\_\_\_, duly held on \_\_\_\_\_, A. B. was appointed as Lay Dele-  
 gate from said Parish, to the Convention of the Protestant Epis-  
 copal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, to be held at \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_.

Attest,

Or,

Or,

Rector.

{ Wardens.

Parish Clerk.

Place of date.]

**OFFICERS**  
**OF THE**  
**CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT.**

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**THE RT. REV. THOMAS C. BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.**  
*Bishop, and President of Convention.*

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**Standing Committee.**

**THE REV. H. CROSWELL, D. D.,**  
" **S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., LL. D.,**  
" **WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.,**  
" **GEORGE BURGESS, D. D.,**  
" **ROBERT A. HALLAM.**

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**Secretary of Convention.**

**THE REV. WM. PAYNE, Hartford.**

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**Treasurer of Convention.**

**THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq., Hartford.**

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**DIOCESAN SOCIETIES.**

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**Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.**

**THE REV. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., Treasurer, Middletown.**

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**Church Scholarship Society.**

**THE REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, M. A., Secretary, Hartford.**  
**JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq., Treasurer, Hartford.**



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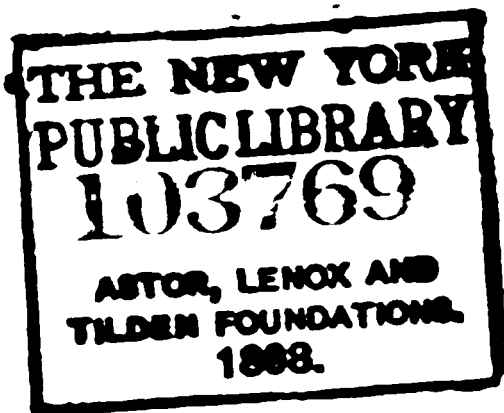
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TUESDAY IN WHITSUN-WEEK, }  
June 13th, 1848. }

THIS being the day prescribed for the assembling of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, a number of the Clergy and Laity met in St. Paul's Church, New Haven, at 4 o'clock, P. M., pursuant to a notice previously given by direction of the Bishop.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D., took the chair, and called the meeting to order.

A List of the Clergy entitled to seats, prepared by the Bishop and Standing Committee according to Canon XI., was presented and read by the Secretary, as follows :

## CLERGY.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.,

The Rev. *William B. Ashley*,\*

- " William Atwill,
- " *Pierre T. Babbitt*,
- " David Baldwin,
- " *Henry H. Bates*,
- " E. Edwards Beardsley,
- " Lorenzo T. Bennett,

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\*Those Clergymen whose names are in *italics* were not present at any of the sessions of the Convention.

**The Rev. *Joshua D. Berry,***

- " John H. Betts,**
- " Joseph Brewster,**
- " William White Bronson,**
- " Hilliard Bryant,**
- " *Daniel Burhans, D. D.,***
- " Riverius Camp,**
- " James Dixon Carder,**
- " Alonzo B. Chapin,**
- " Peter S. Chauncey,**
- " Jacob L. Clark,**
- " Francis J. Clerc,**
- " Jonathan Coe, 2nd.,**
- " Gurdon S. Coit,**
- " Samuel Cooke,**
- " Nathaniel E. Cornwall,**
- " Joseph S. Covell,**
- " A. Cleveland Coxe,**
- " Harry Crosswell, D. D.,**
- " Giles H. Deshon,**
- " Henry Edwards,**
- " Samuel M. Emery,**
- " Charles W. Everest,**
- " Charles R. Fisher,**
- " Henry Fitch,**
- " *George L. Foote,***
- " William H. Frisbie,**
- " Samuel Fuller, D. D.,**
- " Alpheus Geer,**
- " Frederick J. Goodwin,**
- " Henry V. Gardner,**
- " John M. Guion,**
- " Robert A. Hallam,**
- " Solomon G. Hitchcock,**

The Rev .Frederick Holcomb, D. D.,

- " Abner Jackson, .
- " S. Farmar Jarvis D. D., LL. D.,
- " William Jarvis,
- " Stephen Jewett,
- " *Isaac Jones,*
- " William Long,
- " James Mackay,
- " *Truman Marsh,*
- " Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D.,
- " *J. D. Mead,*
- " Frederick Miller,
- " Martin Moody,
- " William F. Morgan,
- " Cyrus Munson,
- " Henry D. Noble,
- " Joseph H. Nichols,
- " *G. Huntington Nichols,*
- " Abel Ogden,
- " Henry Olmstead,
- " Seth B. Paddock,
- " *Roswell Park,*
- " William Payne,
- " Thomas C. Pitkin,
- " John Purves,
- " Charles S. Putnam,
- " Henry F. Roberts,
- " David P. Sanford,
- " Joseph Scott,
- " *David H. Short,*
- " John D. Smith,
- " S. Stebbins Stocking,
- " Ambrose S. Todd, D. D.,
- " *Charles Todd,*

**The Rev. Joseph P. Taylor,**

- " David G. Tomlinson,**
- " Silas Totten, D. D.,**
- " William E. Vibbert,**
- " Ransom Warner,**
- " William Watson,**
- " Timothy Wilcoxson,**
- " Junius M. Willey,**
- " Frederick B. Woodward,**
- " Benjamin M. Yarrington,**
- " Henry Zell.**

More than one third of these Clergymen having answered to their names, the constitutional quorum of the Clerical Order was declared by the Chair to be present.

The Rev. Messrs. PAYNE, BEARDSLEY and WILLEY were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the Certificates of the Lay-Delegates. The following gentlemen were reported as having been duly elected to represent their respective Parishes. The Report was, on motion, accepted, and those therein named were declared to be entitled to seats.

#### LAY-DELEGATES.

*Christ Church, Hartford.* Philip Ripley, Denison Morgan.

*St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.* James T. Pratt.

*Trinity Church, Bristol.* Harold J. Potter.

*St. Paul's Church, Windham.* George S. Catlin, Giles Taintor.

*Trinity Church, Portland.* Daniel Russell, Joseph Hall.

*Christ Church, Middle Haddam.* Jeremiah H. Taylor.

*Calvary Church, Stonington.* Dyer B. Potter.

*St. Paul's Church, New Haven.* Enos Cutler, William Wells Holley.

*Trinity Church, Branford.* David Barker, Jonathan Collins.

*Christ Church, Guilford.* Russel Benton, Albert B. Wildman.

*St. James' Church, Fair Haven.* Dan'l. Foot, Samuel M. Brown.

*St. Andrew's Church, Northford.* Jonathan Dayton.



*St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.* A. J. Driggs, Arad W. Welton.  
*St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.* Edwin E. Curtiss, John Hull.  
*Union Church, Humphreysville.* Daniel Carrington, Josiah Nettleton.

*St. George's Church, Milford.* Andrew French.  
*Grace Church, Hamden.* Richard Blakslee, Elias Ford.  
*Christ Church, Derby.* Moses White, Edward B. Crafts.  
*St. John's Church, Waterbury.* John P. Elton, David W. Austin.

*St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.* John Peck, Richard Hine.  
*St. James' Church, Westville.* Samuel Lloyd.  
*Christ Church, Westport.* Dennis Nash, Benjamin L. Waite.  
*Trinity Church, Newtown.* Amariah Beers, Glover Hawley.  
*St. John's Church, Stamford.* John Ferguson, Joshua B. Ferris.

*St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.* Timothy Jones, William K. Keeler.

*St. James' Church, Danbury.* Reuben Booth, Charles Rider.  
*St. Peter's Church, Monroe.* Anson Beardslee.  
*Grace Church, Trumbull.* Robert Middlebrook.  
*Christ Church, Trumbull.* Abel Mallett.  
*Christ Church, Greenwich.* Samuel G. Cornell, Henry Bush.  
*St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.* Seth P. Beers, Origen S. Seymour.

*St. Andrew's Church, New Preston.* Alvin Brown.  
*St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.* Levi Merriam, Sylvester Matthews.

*Union Church, Hitchcocksville.* Bela Squire.

A Certificate was also reported by the Committee as having been received from "the Episcopal Society of Weston," in favor of "Warren Nichols," as a Lay-Delegate to this Convention; but so much of the Report as related to that Parish was, on motion, laid on the table.

The List of the Lay-Delegates was read, and more than twen-

ty having answered to their names, the requisite quorum of that Order was declared to be present.

The Rev. WILLIAM PAYNE was re-elected Secretary.

MOSES WHITE, Esq., was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The Convention having been thus fully organized for the transaction of business, it was,

On motion,

*Resolved*, That when the Convention adjourns, it adjourn to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, to be opened with religious services as prescribed by the Constitution.

Adjourned.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,  
Wednesday, 9 o'clock, A. M. }

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. NATHANIEL E. CORNWALL, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. JOSEPH H. NICHOLS. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. WM. WHITE BRONSON, from 1 Cor. iv. 3, 4. THOMAS R. PYNCHON, A. M., was admitted to the Order of Deacons. The BISHOP was assisted in the Litany by the Rev. Dr. MEAD, who also, with the Rev. Dr. TOTTEN and the Rev. Messrs. CORNWALL, J. H. NICHOLS, and COOKE took part in the administration of the Holy Communion. The Candidate was presented by the Rev. Dr. TOTTEN.

The BISHOP took the Chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

It was, on motion, resolved to adopt for the regulation of the Convention the following

### Rules of Order.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by Prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

13. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz :

A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

do. on the Constitution and Canons.

do. on Unfinished Business.

do. on Finance.

The Committee, appointed yesterday, on the Testimonials of the Lay-Delegates, made a second Report which was, on mo-

tion, accepted; and the following gentlemen were accordingly declared to be entitled to seats as representatives of their respective Parishes.

LAY-DELEGATES.

*St. John's Church, Hartford.* William T. Lee, Thos. Belknap.

*Grace Church, Broad Brook.* Wm. H. Cook, Henry A. Bliss.

*Christ Church, Pomfret.* Chauncey Hammett.

*St. James' Church, New London.* Francis Allyn, J. P. C. Mather.

*Christ Church, Norwich.* James L. Day.

*St. James' Church, Poquetanock.* Isaac H. Cook.

*Trinity Church, New Haven.* Wm. H. Ellis, Judson Canfield.

*St. John's Church, North Guilford.* John G. Johnson.

*Christ Church, North Branford.* Chauncey Linsley.

*St. John's Church, North Haven.* Everlin Blakslee.

*St. James' Church, Birmingham.* Joseph P. Canfield, Stephen G. Wilcoxson.

*St. Peter's Church, Oxford.* Elisha W. Gedney.

*Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.* George A. Flagg, Marvin K. Sanford

*All Saints' Church, Wolcott.* Moses Pond.

*Christ Church, Stratford.* Elbert Wells.

*Trinity Church, Fairfield.* Hull Sherwood, David Banks.

*St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.* William St. John, Thomas Warner, Jr.

*St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.* Edson T. Shepard, Daniel G. Beers.

*St. Thomas' Church, Bethel.* Samuel Judd.

*St. Paul's Church, Huntington.* Elly Lewis, Agur Wheeler.

*St. John's Church, New Milford.* John G. Noble.

*Christ Church, Sharon.* John Woodruff.

*St. Andrew's Church, Kent.* Rufus Fuller, Jr.

*Christ Church, Bethlehem.* Philo H. Skidmore.

*St. Peter's Church, Hebron.* John S. Peters.

The Rev. JUNIUS M. WILLEY was appointed Assistant Secretary in place of Moses White, Esq., who declined the office.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, read the following abstract of their proceedings, which is entered on the Journal, in accordance with Canon VI.

### **Standing Committee.**

#### *Abstract of their Proceedings from the Convention of 1847, to the Convention of 1848.*

I. In accordance with the Ninth Article of the Constitution of the Church in this Diocese, the Standing Committee appointed by the Convention of 1847, held their first meeting on Wednesday, June 9th, the day of their election, and continued it by adjournment on Thursday, June 10th, in the Vestry Room of Christ Church, Hartford. All the members were present, viz., the Rev. Doctors CROSWELL, JARVIS, MEAD and BURGESS, and the Rev. ROBERT A. HALLAM, A. M. The Rev. Dr. CROSWELL was chosen President and the Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Secretary. They then signed the Testimonials of Mr. Joseph Brewster for Deacon's Orders. On Thursday, June 10th, Dr. JARVIS was appointed Secretary and Treasurer of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. He declined serving on the ground of the alteration in the Constitution of the Society, by which it was no longer made the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, ex officio, to be Secretary and Treasurer of the Society.—This objection being overruled, he consented to serve for one year. It was then resolved that he be requested to take charge of the Fund provided for the Wants of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, until otherwise directed.

II. The second stated meeting was held at Hartford, in the Chapel of Christ Church, August 4th, and, by adjournment, August 5th, 1847. Present all the members. Messrs. Samuel Benedict, A. B., Trinity College, and John Collins Covell, A. B., Trinity College, were recommended as Candidates for Holy Orders. The Rev. Deacons John H. Betts, Joseph P. Taylor, and Francis J. Clerc, were recommended to the Bishop for the Holy Order of Priesthood.

III. The third meeting was held by special notice at Waterbury, on the occasion of the consecration of the new St. John's Church in that Parish, January 12th, 1848. The Rev. Dr. BURGESS having, since the last meeting, been consecrated Bishop of

Maine, and thereby vacated his seat, the remaining members being all present proceeded to sign the following Testimonials : for Mr. Milton B. Benton as a Candidate for Holy Orders, Mr. Timothy Wilcoxson to be ordered Deacon, and the Rev. Deacon Joseph Brewster to be ordered Priest. According to the amendment of Article IX of the Constitution of this Diocese, passed in 1840, providing that "in case of any vacancy occurring in the Standing Committee by death, removal or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy until the next Annual Convention," the Rev. A. CLEVELAND COXE, Rector of St. John's Church, Hartford, was unanimously elected in the place of the late Rector of Christ Church in that City, and the Secretary was directed to inform him of his election.

IV. The fourth meeting was held by published notice at the house of the President, at 8 o'clock, P. M., June 13th, 1848. Present the Rev. Doctors CROSWELL and MEAD, the Rev. Mr. HALLAM and the SECRETARY.

The answer of the Rev. Mr. COXE to the letter of the Secretary of Jan. 14th, 1848, conveying to him the official notice of his election as a member of the Standing Committee, in which he declined, on the ground of his being one of the younger Presbyters of the Diocese, was read and ordered to be recorded and placed on file. The Bishop being then requested to meet the Standing Committee on the subject of a dispensation of literary qualifications, and having given his approbation of the same in the case of Mr. Seth S. Chapin, the Standing Committee proceeded to sign his Testimonials as a Candidate for Holy Orders. The Testimonials of Mr. Edward Jessup, a graduate of Yale College, were also signed. The Canonical Testimonial of Robert C. Rogers, A. B., Trinity College, a member of the Senior Class of the General Theological Seminary was signed, that he may be ordained Deacon soon after the Commencement of that Institution, at the close of the present month. The Canonical Testimonial of Mr. Thomas R. Pynchon, A. M., Trinity College, was signed that he may be ordered Deacon to-morrow.

The Standing Committee then proceeded, in conjunction with the Bishop, to transact the business of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

Adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Secretary.

June 13.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS, Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, read his Annual Report,\* with which the Report of the Treasurer of the Litchfield County Association, was, on motion, ordered to be incorporated.

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS read a Report† of sums received under the Canon “providing for the Wants of Aged and Infirm Clergymen.”

The Report‡ of the Treasurer of the Convention, THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq., was read.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That each of the three Reports just made be referred to the Committee on Finance, to be appointed according to the 13th Rule of Order.

The following were announced by the Chair as the Standing Committees required by that Rule, and were accordingly appointed.

*Admission of New Parishes.*

The Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D.,

“ S. STEBBINS STOCKING,

“ R. A. HALLAM,

JOHN FERGUSON, Esq.,

SAMUEL G. CORNELL, Esq.

*Constitution and Canons.*

The Rev. S. F. JARVIS, D. D.,

“ AMBROSE TODD, D. D.,

“ F. HOLCOMB, D. D.,

“ JOHN S. PETERS, Esq.,

“ MOSES WHITE, Esq.

*Unfinished Business.*

The Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY,

“ A. C. COXE,

“ J. L. CLARK,

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\*Appendix, B.

†Appendix, C.

‡Appendix, D.

**THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.,**  
**ANDREW FRENCH, M. D.**

*Finance.*

**The Rev. WILLIAM WATSON,**  
 “ **JOHN PURVES,**  
 “ **N. E. CORNWALL,**  
**WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.,**  
**DANIEL RUSSELL, Esq.**

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee of three be appointed upon the Certificate of the Lay-Delegate from the Parish of Weston.

The Rev. Dr. TODD, the Rev. N. E. CORNWALL, and DENNIS NASH, Esq., were appointed that Committee.

Documents from a newly organized Parish were presented by the Secretary, and, on motion, referred without reading to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

Adjourned to 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

2½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed its proceedings.

The Roll of the members was called.

The Committee on the Certificates of Lay-Delegates made a third Report, which was accepted, and the following gentlemen were, on motion, accordingly declared to be entitled to seats as representatives of their respective Parishes.

**LAY-DELEGATES.**

*St. John's Church, Bridgeport.* William P. Burrall, Henry F. Huggins.

*Christ Church, Harwinton.* Stephen B. Cook.

*Christ Church, Watertown.* Jacob W. Blakeslee, Samuel H. Hopkins.

*St. John's Church, Essex.* Cornelius R. Doane.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats,



and visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Candidates for Holy Orders be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

The following gentlemen were present under this Resolution ;

The Rev. N. S. Richardson, of Connecticut.

- “ Abel Nichols, of Connecticut.
- “ George W. Nichols, of Connecticut.
- “ Thomas R. Pynchon, of Connecticut.
- “ Samuel Nichols, of New York.
- “ Hiram Adams, of New York.
- “ Origen P. Holcomb, of Western New York.
- “ Edward Ingersoll, of Western New York.
- “ Thomas J. Davis, of Pennsylvania.
- “ N. S. Wheaton, D. D., of Louisiana.

The Rev. Dr. CROSWELL, Chairman of the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, made the following

### Report.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes report, that having received and examined papers certifying to the organization of a new Parish in New Haven, by the name of St. Thomas' Church, they find them satisfactory, and recommend that the Parish named be received into union with this Convention, and its Lay-Delegate admitted.

H. CROSWELL, Chairman.

The Report was accepted ; and Isaac Bradley accordingly took his seat as Lay-Delegate for St. Thomas' Church, New Haven.

The Convention then listened to

### The Bishop's Address.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND OF THE LAITY :

At the present annual meeting of our Diocesan Convention, I have little to lay before you, except the stated Canonical Report of my Episcopal Acts for the past year ; and the reiterated acknowledgment of the goodness of God, which has so long been extended to that portion of His Church committed to our care. During the past year, death has not been permitted to diminish

the number of our Clergy. The wonted degree of peace and harmony continues to prevail throughout the Diocese. The Church presents a healthful aspect of external prosperity, and we trust there has been no decline in her spiritual condition.

Since the last Annual Convention, the Holy Rite of Confirmation has been administered in *fifty-four* Parishes, viz.:

1847.

|            |               |            |
|------------|---------------|------------|
| Aug. 15th, | Broad Brook,  | 6 persons. |
| Sept. 1st, | Bristol,      | 5 "        |
| " 2d,      | Wolcott,      | 6 "        |
| " 4th,     | Wolcottville, | 4 "        |
| " 5th,     | Litchfield,   | 27 "       |
| " 6th,     | Milton,       | 3 "        |
| " 7th,     | Bethlem,      | 7 "        |
| " 8th,     | Watertown,    | 8 "        |
| " 9th,     | Woodbury,     | 8 "        |
| " 10th,    | Roxbury,      | 6 "        |
| " "        | Bridgewater,  | 7 "        |
| " 11th,    | Brookfield,   | 30 "       |
| " 12th,    | Danbury,      | 4 "        |
| " "        | Bethel,       | 5 "        |
| " 13th,    | Ridgefield,   | 10 "       |
| " 14th,    | Reading,      | 12 "       |
| " 15th,    | Monroe,       | 12 "       |
| " "        | Trumbull,     | 1 "        |
| " 26th,    | New Milford,  | 10 "       |
| " "        | New Preston,  | 8 "        |
| " 27th,    | Washington,   | 5 "        |
| " 28th,    | Kent,         | 14 "       |
| " 29th,    | Sharon,       | 2 "        |

1848.

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|------------|-------------------------|------|
| Jan. 9th,  | New Haven, (Trinity)    | 20 " |
| " "        | " (St. Luke's)          | 4 "  |
| " 10th,    | West Haven,             | 6 "  |
| " 12th,    | Waterbury,              | 39 " |
| " 13th,    | Plymouth, (St. Peter's) | 20 " |
| Feb. 6th,  | Windsor,                | 4 "  |
| April 23d, | New Haven, (St. Paul's) | 26 " |
| " "        | Fair Haven,             | 10 " |
| " 24th,    | East Haven,             | 3 "  |
| " 25th,    | Northford,              | 10 " |

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|      | 26th, | Hamden,                | 12 persons. |
|      | 28th, | Humphreysville,        | 6 "         |
|      | 29th, | Huntington,            | 4 "         |
|      | 30th, | Birmingham,            | 9 "         |
|      | "     | Derby,                 | 4 "         |
| May  | 1st,  | Southport,             | 9 "         |
|      | 7th,  | Portland,              | 21 "        |
|      | "     | Middletown,            | 12 "        |
|      | 9th,  | Essex,                 | 4 "         |
|      | "     | Saybrook,              | 3 "         |
|      | 14th, | Meriden,               | 6 "         |
|      | 23d,  | Hebron,                | 5 "         |
|      | 24th, | Windham,               | 5 "         |
|      | 25th, | Brooklyn,              | 2 "         |
|      | 26th, | Pomfret,               | 4 "         |
|      | 28th, | Norwich,               | 23 "        |
|      | "     | Poquetanock,           | 3 "         |
|      | 30th, | New London,            | 23*         |
|      | "     | Stonington,            | 6 "         |
| June | 3d,   | Warehouse Point,       | 6 "         |
|      | 10th, | Hartford, (Christ)     | 11 "        |
|      | "     | Hartford, (St. John's) | 21† "       |

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In all, 541

The following persons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, within the past year, viz.: Henry Edwards, A. B., and Oliver S. Prescott, in Trinity Church, New Haven, on the 16th day of September; and Timothy Wilcoxson, in St. John's Church, Hartford, on the 24th day of February. Joseph Brewster, A. B., a Candidate for Holy Orders in this Diocese, was admitted to the Diaconate by the Bishop of Western New York, acting on my behalf, and at my request.

I have admitted the following persons to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, viz.: the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, in Grace Church, Broad Brook, on the 15th day of August; the Rev. Joseph P. Taylor, in Christ Church, Reading, on the 14th day of Septem-

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\*Five of the number having been confirmed by the Bishop of Rhode Island, acting on my behalf.

†Three having been confirmed during sickness.

ber ; the Rev. John H. Betts, in St. Peter's Church, Monroe, on the 15th day of September ; and the Rev. Joseph Brewster, in St. John's Church, Hartford, on the 23d day of September. And this day, in presence of the Convention, I have admitted Thomas R. Pynchon, A. M., lately a Tutor in Trinity College, to the same Holy Order.

The precarious tenure of the connexion between our Clergy and their Parishes constitutes one of the greatest evils in the condition of our portion of the Church. The frequent changes and removals which occur, are alike injurious to the interests of the Clergy and the people. The larger Parishes of the Diocese are indeed happily exempted from this inconvenience. But in the weaker Parishes, where the united strength can barely support a Clergyman, the defection of only one or two families, either from private pique, or from the hope of obtaining a more popular preacher, frequently renders it necessary for the Pastor to resign. Now a long observation has convinced me that, in a large portion of these removals, neither the Clergyman nor the Parish is benefitted by the change. It is almost the only discouraging circumstance in the condition of the Diocese, that during the past year these changes have been more numerous than usual.

The following Clergymen have received Dimissory Letters, and removed to other Dioceses, viz: the Rev. Oliver Hopson, to the Diocese of Vermont ; the Rev. William Everett, the Rev. Thomas T. Guion, and the Rev. Geo. S. Gordon, to the Diocese of New York ; the Rev. Joseph M. Waite, to the Diocese of Ohio ; the Rev. George Benton, the Rev. Oliver S. Prescott, and the Rev. Ferdinand S. White, to the Diocese of North Carolina ; and the Rev. Dexter Potter, to the Diocese of New Jersey.

To counterbalance, in part, these removals, the following Clergymen have been received into the Diocese, with Dimissory Letters, from other States, viz.: the Rev. Henry F. Roberts, the Rev. Peter S. Chauncey, and the Rev. J. Dixon Carder, from the Diocese of New York ; the Rev. Thomas C. Pitkin, from the Diocese of Western New York ; the Rev. Charles Todd, from the Diocese of Vermont ; and the Rev. Pierre T. Babbit, from the Diocese of South Carolina. The Rev. Mr. Roberts has been appointed to the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Poquetanock ; the Rev. Mr. Chauncey to that of Christ Church, Hartford ; the Rev. Mr. Pitkin to the associate Rectorship of Trinity Church,

New Haven; the Rev. Charles Todd to the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Huntington; the Rev. Mr. Carder to that of St. George's Church, Milford, and the Rev. Mr. Babbit to that of St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.

In addition to the foregoing, there have been several changes of location among the resident Clergy of the Diocese. The Rev. E. E. Beardsley has resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Cheshire, and accepted a call to the charge of the new Parish of St. Thomas, New Haven. The Rev. Joseph H. Nichols has succeeded him at Cheshire, having resigned the Rectorship of the Parish of Bristol. The Rev. Wm. W. Bronson has removed from his Cure in Trumbull, and accepted the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Danbury. He has been succeeded in his late charge, by the Rev. H. V. Gardner, who has resigned his Rectorship of the Parishes of Harwinton and East Plymouth. The Rev. Edward C. Bull has resigned the Parish of Christ Church, Westport, and removed to the Diocese of New York. The Rev. Thomas T. Guion, and the Rev. Enoch Huntington have resigned the Rectorship of their respective Parishes at Danbury and New Milford, and have also removed to the Diocese of New York. The Rev. Abel Nichols and the Rev. George W. Nichols have relinquished the charge of their respective Parishes at Humphreysville and Westville. The Rev. N. S. Richardson has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Derby, and has been succeeded in that place by the Rev. Charles S. Putnam, of Woodbury; who has also been succeeded in the latter place by the Rev. Pierre T. Babbit from the Diocese of South Carolina. The Rev. Henry Zell has resigned the charge of the Parish at Wolcottville, and accepted that of Christ Church, Bethany.

Of the Deacons ordained since the last Convention, the Rev. Joseph Brewster has been called to the charge of St. Paul's Church, Windham, and the Rev. Henry Edwards to that of Christ Church, East Haven. The Rev. T. Wilcoxson is engaged as temporary assistant to the Rev. W. Watson, of Plymouth.

Within the past year the Rev. George H. Nichols has been regularly instituted into the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Salisbury, by letter transmitted through the Rev. William Watson, who was appointed the Institutor; the Rev. Thomas C. Pitkin has been instituted into the associate Rectorship of Trinity Church, New Haven, the Rev. Dr. Croswell officiating as

Institutor; and on the 18th of May last, I instituted the Rev. Peter S. Chauncey into the Rectorship of Christ Church, Hartford.

The following persons are now Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz : James G. Blair, A. B.; James C. French, A. B.; Robert C. Rogers, A. B.; Frederick D. Harriman, A. B.; Gilbert B. Hayden; William O. Jarvis; Richard Green, (a man of color;) DeWitt C. Loop, A. B.; Nathan Merrill, A. B.; Ruel H. Tuttle, A. B.; John W. Birchmore, A. B.; John A. Paddock, A. B.; Collis J. Potter; Edward O. Flagg; John C. Covell, A. B.; Samuel Benedict, A. B.; William B. Benton; Edward Jessup, A. B., and Seth S. Chapin.

On the 15th day of June last, Thomas M. Peters, A. B., and George Sterling, A. B., Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, were transferred to the Diocese of New York, and were admitted to the Diaconate by the Right Rev. Bishop De Lancey, and on the 6th of May last, Alexander Capron, A. B., and Noble Palmer, A. B., Candidates in this Diocese, were likewise, at their request, transferred to the Diocese of New York.

Among the most noticeable facts in the present condition of the Diocese, we may refer to the advancements in ecclesiastical architecture, and to the zeal and liberality evinced in the erection and improvement of Churches.

On the 12th of January last, I consecrated the new granite edifice in Waterbury, then just completed, by the name of St. John's Church. This noble building is from plans furnished by Austin of New Haven, and is now the most perfect Church edifice in the Diocese. Two other noble Churches, of freestone, are now in process of erection, the one in Norwich, and the other in New London. Both are from plans by Upjohn. The former is fully enclosed, and will probably be ready for consecration in the Autumn. The corner-stone of the latter was laid by the Bishop of Rhode Island, acting on my behalf, on the 3d of November last, and the edifice will be inclosed in the course of the summer.—When these Churches are completed, they will probably be more artistic and imposing than that at Waterbury. On the 31st day of May, I laid the corner-stone of a Church to be erected in the new Parish of Stonington, to be called Calvary Church. The building is to be of granite, and the plan is by Upjohn. Another new and spacious freestone Church is being erected in the Parish

of Meriden, the corner-stone having been laid, with due solemnities, on Thursday last. On the 17th of last August, I laid the corner-stone of a Church in the new Parish at Winsted, and the building is now nearly ready for consecration. Another new Church is also in progress of erection in the Parish of New Britain; and still another at Nichols' Farms, near Bridgeport.

I think it proper to record, in this place, that another Bishop has been added to our Church during the past year, to preside over the Diocese of Maine—the Right Rev. GEORGE BURGESS, D. D.; and that I assisted at his Consecration in Christ Church, Hartford, on the 31st day of October last, the Rt. Rev. Bishop CHASE, of Illinois, presiding.

#### BRETHREN OF THE CONVENTION:

In my last year's Address, I called your attention, with some earnestness, to the Christian Knowledge Society, as the most efficient instrumentality for promoting the extension of the Church, and advancing the spiritual prosperity of the Diocese. My visitations during the Autumn of last year, and the Spring of this, have satisfied me that the religious condition of the State has not, for several years, presented so auspicious a period for the success of such an agency. I will now only suggest to you, that after providing means for sustaining a few of the weakest existing Parishes, a strong effort should be made for carrying the services of the Church, with their attendant blessings, to some of the more populous parts of the State, where they are not yet known, and particularly to such new manufacturing villages as are most destitute of religious instruction.

In my last Annual Address, I also called the attention of the Convention to the efforts which had been made to increase the efficiency of Trinity College. It is impossible to overrate the importance of this Institution to the welfare of the Church. It has already done efficient service, but I trust we have seen only the first dawnings of the light and influence which shall mark its future progress. In recommending its interests to your fostering care, we must not be unmindful of the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire, and the private institutions of the Diocese, under Episcopal auspices, all of which are eminently subsidiary to the cause of sound learning in the Church.

BRETHREN: It is not my design to add any thing to what I have said on former occasions, concerning the general institutions

of the Church. You must be well aware of the influence of these institutions on its prosperity, and in the maintaining of pure religion in our land. Neither is it my intention, at this time, to offer any new remarks on the present condition and future prospects of the Church. You are fully acquainted with my views on these subjects; and I have seen no reason to change them. Our duty, however, is ever the same; to exercise, each in our respective stations, a watchful care over the welfare of the Church; sedulous to preserve the purity and integrity of its faith, and to illustrate the renovating influence of its doctrine and institutions by the purity and holiness of our own lives.

T. C. BROWNELL.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge be referred to a Special Committee of five.

The Rev. Messrs. WATSON, COOKE, and COXE and PHILIP RIPLEY and WM. WELLS HOLLEY, Esqrs., were appointed this Committee.

The Committee on the Testimonials of Lay-Delegates presented a further Report in favor of Charles H. Pelton as Delegate from the Parish of Christ Church, Middletown. The Report was accepted, and the Delegate admitted to a seat in the Convention.

Upon motion,

*Resolved*, That the Convention now proceed to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

The ballot being completed, the following persons were declared to be elected :

*Standing Committee.*

The Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D.,

“ S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D.,

“ WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.,

“ ROBERT A. HALLAM,

‘ JACOB L. CLARK.



The Special Committee upon the Testimonial of the Lay-Delegate from the Parish in Weston presented the following

### **Report.**

The Committee, appointed to take into consideration the case of the Delegate from the Church in Weston, beg leave to report :

That, upon enquiry, they find that the Parish of the Town of Weston have, since the settlement of their difficulties, met on two occasions and conducted their Parish business agreeably to the provisions of the Statute; and they recommend the adoption of the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That, although no formal application has been made on the part of the Parish of Weston for union with this Convention, the Delegate duly appointed and present from said Parish be admitted to a seat.

AMBROSE S. TODD.  
N. E. CORNWALL.  
DENNIS NASH.

On motion, the Report was accepted, and Warren Nichols, Lay-Delegate from said Parish, was accordingly admitted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following

### **Report.**

The Committee on Unfinished Business report :

That, upon examination of the Journal of last year, they find nothing laid over for the special action of this Convention but the Report of the Committee on Documents relating to the Church in this Diocese—pp. 24–25.

In behalf of the Committee,

E. E. BEARDSLEY, Chairman.

On motion, the above Report was accepted.

The Parochial Reports\* were then received by the Bishop, their reading being dispensed with.

The Committee, appointed at the last Convention to collect a

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\*Appendix A.

sum sufficient for the erection of a Monument to the memory of Bishop SEABURY, presented the following

### **Report.**

The Committee, appointed to solicit funds for the erection of a Monument to Bishop SEABURY, respectfully report :

That, as early as practicable after the adjournment of the Convention in June 1847, they entered upon the duty assigned them, and as a preliminary step, addressed a Circular to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the several Parishes in the Diocese. The scope of this Circular, it will be remembered, embraced a simple statement of the object proposed, and urged a speedy and liberal effort to further it, on the part of each Parish. The response to this appeal has not been general; and, except in one instance, the amounts received have been inconsiderable. Your Committee, however, feel warranted in saying, that the limited contributions within the Diocese furnish no token of lukewarmness on the subject of the Monument. They believe that the disposition to improve the favorable opportunity now offered at New London, and to rear a memorial worthy of our first Bishop, is in no way diminished either among the Clergy or Laity of the Diocese. So far as can be ascertained, the failure of the Clergy to present the matter to their congregations has arisen from this cause—want of information as to the precise amount required for the erection of the Monument. No sum being named, an embarrassment has been naturally felt in regard to the measure and proportion in which each Parish should contribute, and the delay consequently has been in reference to further light. Your Committee would therefore recommend a renewed and more definite appeal to the Diocese on this subject, and, with a view to this, suggest that the Committee appointed for this purpose report as early as possible the estimated cost of a suitable Monument; and furthermore, that the several Parishes be assessed, or their Rectors pledged to furnish a certain due proportion of the sum designated.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM F. MORGAN.  
WILLIAM JARVIS.  
RICHARD ADAMS.

Upon motion,

*Resolved*, That the Report be accepted, and the Committee continued till the next Convention.

The other Committee, appointed at the last Convention with reference to the Monument to Bishop SEABURY, also reported progress, as follows :

### Report.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention "to carry into execution the preparation and erection of a Monument to Bishop SEABURY, when a sufficient sum shall have been collected," respectfully report :

That, though a sufficient sum has not yet been collected, they have decided upon a plan for the Monument, furnished by UPJOHN which, according to the estimates of the architect, can be erected for the sum of \$1250. Also, that the draft of an appropriate epitaph is now before the Committee.

They would also report that there is a deficiency in the number of the Committee, in consequence of the removal of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS.

(Signed) S. F. JARVIS.

R. A. HALLAM.

WM. C. MEAD.

A. CLEVELAND COXE.

Upon motion,

*Resolved*, That the Report be accepted, the Committee continued, and the deficiency in their number supplied by the appointment of the Rev. T. C. PITKIN.

Upon motion,

*Resolved*, That the Committee to whom was assigned the collecting of Documents relating to the Church in this Diocese, who reported to the last Convention, be reappointed, for the purpose of carrying into effect the ends contemplated in their Report; and that the Treasurer of the Convention be instructed to pay the expenses incurred in this work from any monies in his hands not otherwise appropriated.

our Communion, wherever they may be found scattered among the hills of Connecticut? How, otherwise, it may be inquired, is he who is over us in the LORD to perform his bounden duty of seeking for CHRIST's sheep which are scattered abroad, and of keeping all within the fold which the MASTER hath constructed? With these explanations of their plan, and of the motives which have induced them to recommend it, your Committee would commend it to the favorable consideration of the Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WATSON, Chairman.

SAMUEL COOKE.

A. C. COXE.

PHILIP RIPLEY.

WM. WELLS HOLLEY.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Report be accepted, and the Committee discharged from further attention to the subject referred to them.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a Committee, not to exceed two from each County, be appointed by this Convention to act in connection with, and advisory to the Bishop and Standing Committee, in relation to the affairs of the Christian Knowledge Society, for one year.

The following gentlemen were appointed this Committee :

*Hartford County,*

The Rev. Messrs. CHAUNCEY and COXE.

*New Haven County,*

The Rev. Messrs. PITKIN and COOKE.

*Fairfield County,*

The Rev. Dr. TODD and the Rev. Mr. COIT.

*Litchfield County,*

The Rev. Dr. FULLER and the Rev. Mr. WATSON.

*Middlesex County,*

The Rev. Messrs. GOODWIN and EMERY.

*New London County,*

The Rev. Messrs. MORGAN and WILLEY.

*Windham County,*

The Rev. Messrs. PARK and BREWSTER.

*Tolland County,*

The Rev. Mr. HITCHCOCK.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the subject embraced in the Report last presented, with the proposed Canon, be referred to the Committee just appointed, in conjunction with the Bishop and Standing Committee, to be reported on at the next Convention.

The Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society.\*

After the business of that Society was transacted, the Convention was reorganized, and resumed its proceedings.

The following Report, which was presented and read, was, on motion accepted.

### Report.

The undersigned, as Secretary of the Convention, having been directed at its last annual meeting to "procure and have bound at the expense of the same and for its use, a complete set of the Journals of this Diocese, and to have them, together with the Constitution and Statutes of the General Theological Seminary, laid upon the table at the next and every subsequent Convention of the Diocese," reports:

That he has discharged the duty assigned to him, and that the documents are on the Secretary's table, as required. For the accomplishment of this object, the Convention are indebted to different members of the Diocese who have transmitted to the

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\* Appendix E.

Secretary old Journals w' ich had become rare, and especially to the Rev. Dr. MEAD, who has kindly presented to the Convention a bound volume of the Journals of the General Conventions from 1785 to 1814. Other numbers have been purchased and bound at an expense of \$8 50 to the Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. PAYNE, Secretary.

The Committee on Finance made the following

### Report.

The Committee on Finance report, that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and also those of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, with their several vouchers, and find them entirely accurate.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WATSON, Chairman.

The following Amendments to the Constitution were proposed, and approved by the Convention, and ordered to be published at large on the Journal for final action at the next annual meeting :

*Resolved*, That the first clause of the Sixth Article of the Constitution, ending with the words "*shall be members of this Convention*," be stricken out, and that the following words be substituted, viz :

The Covention shall be composed of the Bishop, his Clergy, and Lay-Delegates from the several Parishes of the Diocese.

*Resolved*, That to Article Seventh of the Constitution, the following clause be added :

In all cases when the two Orders vote separately, no Clergyman shall be allowed to vote, unless he be at the time regularly appointed under ecclesiastical authority to some parochial or missionary cure; or in employment as an instructor of youth in some seminary of learning recognized by civil or diocesan authority; or prevented by age and infirmities from the discharge of his clerical functions; or else specially admitted a voter, by a vote of two thirds of the Clerical Order, such vote to be by ballot.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That *a thousand* copies of the Journal of this Convention be published and distributed, under the direction of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

The Minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion,

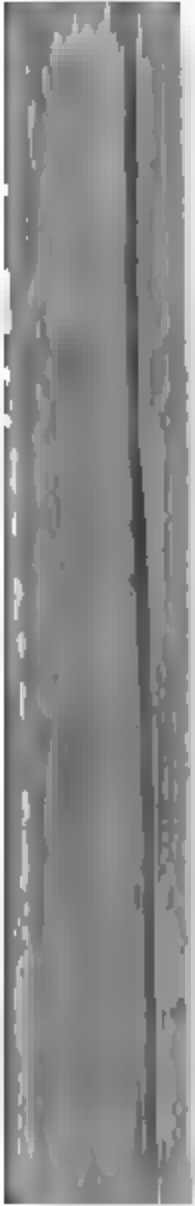
*Resolved*, That, after the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

A Psalm (the 107th Selection) was sung, and, after saying a few Collects, the Bishop dismissed the members with the final Benediction.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.,

*Bishop of the Diocese and President of the Convention.*

Attest, WM. PAYNE, *Secretary*.





# APPENDIX A.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### *Hartford County.*

#### *Christ Church, Hartford.*

THE REV. P. S. CHAUNCEY, RECTOR.

The Rector assumed the charge of this congregation on the first Sunday in February. This Report, however, embraces the entire year since the last Convention.

Families 239—20 having removed, most of them from the city. Baptisms—adult 1; infants 23; total 24. Confirmed 11. Marriages 9. Funerals 20. Communicants—died 7; removed 7; added 22; present number 400. Sunday School—teachers 1; scholars 153. Missionary and other contributions \$925. Communion Alms \$417 05.

#### *St. John's Church, Hartford.*

THE REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, RECTOR.

The Rector respectfully reports to his Rt. Rev. Diocesan, Baptisms—(catechumens 13, infants 23,) in all 36. Confirmed 21. Married 10 pair. Buried 21. Churched 7. Sunday School—scholars 133; catechists 22. Communicants, (deceased 5, removed 26, added 15,) in all, including 15 students of Trinity College—224. Families 156.

Collections—(for parochial objects \$188 22; Church Scholarship Society \$28 90; Domestic and Foreign Missions \$30; Nashotah \$20; Domestic Missions \$45; Constantinople \$58; Parochial Library \$25 16; Bishop Hawks' Mission \$42 13; Infirm Clergy Fund \$19 50; Children's Easter-Offerings \$21 50; Quincy, Illinois \$33 50; Key-West \$7 75; Churching-offerings \$8 25; Christian Knowledge Society \$29 10; Offertory, \$201 10)—in all \$758 11.

It appears that, during the past year, the Parish has lost by removal no less than 26 communicants, all of whom have emigrated from Hartford. This may serve to show why there is no apparent increase, by the statistical enumeration, although the Parish has enjoyed a steady prosperity, and although some former parishioners have returned. The persons reported as confirmed will probably become communicants before long, but are not reckoned as such at present.

A bell has been purchased at an expense of about \$600, and several subscriptions not mentioned in the Report have been made; but expenses for parochial objects are still so heavy, that contributions to other holy purposes have not been increased.

The Rector has been able to increase the number of public services during the year, and also to make *Catechetical Instruction* a prominent part of his ministrations to adults, as well as to children. With devout thanks to God, he would add an expression of his conviction that his people are more and more learning to value and enjoy the means of grace, and to bring forth the fruit of good-works to the glory of their LORD and SAVIOUR.

*St. James' Church, West Hartford.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. Luke's Church, South Glastenbury.*

THE REV. GILES H. DESHON, RECTOR.

Families 70. Baptisms—infants 4, adults 0, total 4. Communicants—added anew 3; by removal 2; died 2; present number 104. Marriages 6. Burials 7. Missionary and charitable contributions \$60 56½.

In addition to the above, nearly \$300 has been contributed for various parochial purposes. The interior of the Church has been thoroughly painted and rearranged; and the debt which was incurred at its erection has been finally extinguished.

The Parish, though not large or wealthy, is united and prosperous.

*St. Andrew's Church, Simsbury.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. Peter's Church, Granby.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. John's Church, Warehouse Point.*

THE REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

Families 120. Baptisms—infants 22; adults 6; total 28. Confirmations 7. Communicants 47. Marriages 13. Burials 10. Sunday School—scholars 75; teachers 9.

In addition to the regular services, at all seasons appointed by the Church, in this Parish, the Rector has officiated occasionally in Thompsonville, Suffield, and at Windsor Locks.

*Grace Church, Broad Brook.*

THE REV. FRANCIS J. CLERC, RECTOR ELECT.

Number of families, at least 66. Baptisms in the Parish within the year—infants and children 11; adults 1; total 12. Confirmed 6. Communicants—added, by removal 6, anew 6; lost by removal 6; present number 13. The Holy Eucharist has been administered 13 times within the year, twice by brother Clergymen before my ordination to the Priesthood in August last. Marriages (in the Church with only one exception) 8, out of the Parish 1; total 9. Burials in the Parish 5. Sunday School—teachers 3; scholars within the year, whole number, 63, present number 47. Collections for purposes parochial—Offer-tory \$26 50; offerings (weekly) \$10 22; subscriptions \$20 00; total \$56 72, with a part of which a beautiful stone font has been

placed in the Church, and a small S. S. Library purchased. For purposes not parochial, collections—for Domestic Missions (Advent) \$2 65; Foreign Missions (Epiphany) \$4 00; Church Scholarship Society \$1 69; total \$8 34. Sum of collections in the year \$65 06.

This Church has been open for Divine services every Sunday, and on all days for which special services are appointed in the Prayer Book; and daily for morning and evening prayer through Lent; and frequently besides for prayers and lectures. On five different Sundays the Evening Prayer and a Sermon have been read in German to congregations of about 40 persons; and the marriage rite has been 3 times solemnized by the use of the appointed service in the German language. But these services in this Parish can only be occasional, as the German population is here transient, or desirous to lose its distinctive character.

*Trinity Church, Bristol.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. Mark's Church, New Britain.*

THE REV. A. JACKSON, RECTOR.

Families 34. Communicants 42. Baptisms 8. Deaths 6.

This Parish is now engaged in the erection of a handsome gothic Church in a central position, capable of seating over 250 persons, which will be ready for consecration in October. Its prospects are very encouraging. The population of the village is rapidly increasing. And it is believed that, with the Divine blessing, the zealous and judicious labors of a resident Pastor will soon build up a self-sustaining and prosperous Parish.

*St. Gabriel's Church, Windsor.*

Families 34. Baptisms—infants 4; adults 2. Confirmed 4. Communicants—added 4; present number 27. Missionary and charitable contributions—for Domestic Missions \$4 00; for Nashotah \$3.

The Parish is embarrassed by a debt of nearly a thousand dollars incurred in building the Church. But its little band of mem-

bers are determined that this shall be so no longer ; and have recently started *among themselves* a subscription which now bids fair to be sufficient to discharge all their liabilities. The result of this effort shows that there are life and earnestness in the Parish, and gives promise that it will survive its many trials and disappointments, and rise to a good size and strength.

*St. Mary's Church, Manchester.*

(NO REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Farmington, (Unionville.)*

Families 15. Baptisms 1. Communicants—lost, by death 1; by removal 2; present number 20. Marriages 2. Burials 2. Collections—for Parish objects \$2 00; for Domestic and Foreign Missions \$2 00.

This infant Parish continues to live, and, it is hoped, to grow, if not in numbers, yet in knowledge and grace. During the last conventional year until Easter, Mr. COLLIS J. POTTER, a Candidate for Holy Orders, resided in the place, and acted as Lay-Reader with much acceptableness and profit to the people. Most of the ministerial acts have been performed by the Rev. Mr. PAYNE, who will take the oversight of the Parish during the ensuing year, visiting it as often as his other duties allow, and at other times sending a Lay-Reader from Hartford.

The number of worshippers who assemble on Sunday is from 100 to 125; and would probably be much larger if they had a suitable and convenient place for Divine Service. A lot has been purchased for a Church, and several hundred dollars subscribed in the village towards the building. The completion of it shall be reported next year, if brethren in other places, who have the means, will contribute their help in any proportion to the liberal and self-denying spirit of the little band of Churchmen connected with this struggling but hopeful Parish.

THE REV. A. JACKSON

Reports that, during the past year he has discharged the duties of his Professorship in Trinity College. He has, moreover, had charge of St. Mark's Church, New Britain, where he has officiated on Sundays and on some of the chief Festivals and Fasts. In ad-

dition to these duties he has been, since the first of April, the Editor of The Calendar.

**THE REV. WM. PAYNE**

Reports that, since September, 1847, he has been discharging the duties of Assistant Professor of Ancient Languages in Trinity College. Till the first of April, 1848, he also continued to edit the Diocesan paper, the charge of which he at that time relinquished, after having held it three years and three months. He has likewise rendered Clerical services, uninterruptedly, during the year, chiefly in St. Gabriel's Parish, Windsor, and that of Christ Church, Unionville. See Reports of these Parishes.

**THE REV. CHARLES R. FISHER**

Reports, that he has officiated during the last year at Manchester Mills, where a Parish was duly organized on the evening of Easter Monday last. The services have been held, as at the last Report, in a school-house ; but a Church edifice will, doubtless, be erected for the use of the Parish, by the "Union Manufacturing Company," during the present season ; and the foundations for the same have already been laid. A large lot, contiguous to the Church, has been devoted, by the same Company, for the sacred purpose of a burial place.

I officiate here on every alternate Sunday, and Lay-Services are regularly performed on every other Sunday. The attendance has not in the least diminished since the last Report, but cannot increase much with our present accommodations. The Sunday School numbers about 50 children, and the Bible Class about 35 adults. My official acts during the past year have been : Baptisms 6. Marriages 5. Burials 7. Some of these have been performed in other Parishes. There are in this Parish 5 communicants ; and several persons are now awaiting the Holy Rite of Confirmation.

On nearly every Sunday, when I have not been engaged in this Parish, I have given assistance to my Rev. Brethren in Hartford, and also to many others in the Diocese. In the month of May last, I visited the village of Stafford Springs, by request of several English families residing there, and baptised 4 children,

administered the Holy Communion to 6 persons, and preached one Sermon.

## Windham County.

### *Trinity Church, Brooklyn.*

THE REV. RIVERIUS CAMP, RECTOR.

Families 20. Baptisms—infants 6, adults 0. Confirmed 2—1 in Hartford ; total 3. Communicants—died 2 ; present number 42.

We would give God's Holy Name praise for the increase of the grace of alms-giving and frequency of prayers and attendance upon the Holy Communion, and for the blessed comfort of His HOLY SPIRIT vouchsafed in the use of His Holy Church. We would also confess our many sinful indulgences of the motions of concupiscence that remains even in the righteous, whereby we have followed the flesh rather than the spirit, and have failed in keeping the discipline of the Church to God's glory and our souls' health. Our good works are His ; our sins belong to ourselves.

### *Christ Church, Pomfret.*

THE REV. ROSWELL PARK, RECTOR.

Families 20. Baptisms—infants 4 ; adults 3 ; total 7. Confirmed 4. Communicants—added anew 4 ; lost by removal 2 ; present number 36. Marriages 1. Burials 2. Sunday Scholars 24 ; teachers 4. Missionary contributions—Foreign \$9 ; Domestic \$26 ; Diocesan \$16 ; Parochial charity \$10 ; Parish library \$5 ; improvements of the School House and sheds \$250, of which sum one half was raised by the Ladies' Sewing Society, chiefly at their annual festival.

A debt of \$250 remains against the Parish ; and when this is paid, the Church, and one acre of ground on which it stands, together with the Rectory, School House and sheds on the same, will be the unincumbered property of the Parish. The weekly offerings are at present devoted to the repairing of the Church edifice.

The School begun by the Rector two years since, under the

name of Christ Church Hall, continues in a flourishing condition, and now numbers 34 scholars, more than half of whom are young ladies. With devout thanks to God for many blessings, the Rector would also tender his grateful acknowledgments to the Patrons of this infant institution.

*St. Paul's Church, Windham.*

THE REV. JOSEPH BREWSTER, RECTOR.

Families 63. Baptisms—adults 5. Confirmed 5. Candidates for Confirmation 2. Communicants—added anew 8; removed 3; died 1; present number 43. Marriages 1. Burials 4. Sunday School scholars 35. Contributions for Missionary and benevolent purposes \$65 87.

Within the year the Parish has hung a new bell in the tower; greatly improved the interior of the Church; and, in the extensive repairs now in progress, as well as in the increased attendance upon the public services of the Church, exhibits evident tokens of prosperity.

After my ordination I officiated during the month of July in New Haven, and in the absence of the Rector of Trinity Parish attended two funerals. I assumed the charge of St. Paul's Parish, Windham, on the 1st of August. Since Easter I have held a third Service on Sunday, in the important village of Willimantic, and have good reason to believe that abundant success would at once reward the labors of a resident Missionary.

*Middlesex County.*

*Christ Church, Middletown.*

THE REV. F. J. GOODWIN, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 11; adults 4; whole number 16. Communicants—new 21; removed into the Parish 7; removed from the Parish 4; died 4; present number about 150. Marriages 3. Burials 16. Sunday School—teachers 14; scholars 70. Bible Class 20 members. Contributions—Domestic Missions \$68 25; Foreign Missions \$25; Christian Knowledge Society \$9; Church Scholarship Society \$6; to the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$14. To these may be added \$33 25, received



from different members of the congregation, towards the erection of a Church in Quincy, Illinois ; from the Ladies' Missionary Society \$10, for a free Church in Cleveland, Ohio, \$13 for a Church in this Diocese, \$2 for Nashotah Mission, \$24 12, for Domestic Missions, \$10 50 for Foreign Missions, and \$325 for a suitable fence about the Church. In addition to these sums may be mentioned the Communion Alms \$117 52 ; for parochial purposes \$39 50 ; and \$140, being the Sunday collections which are appropriated toward liquidating a debt of the Parish. Total \$837 24.

I would here state that, by the will of the late Mrs. MARTHA MORTIMER STARR, for many years a communicant of this Parish, there has been given to the Church a Rectory, which, with the grounds adjoining, is valued at \$4,500, and a sum of \$1000, the interest of which, by the terms of the bequest, is to be applied by the Rector for religious and charitable purposes. From the same source there have been appropriated \$500 to the Bible and Prayer-Book Society ; and after the payment of certain other bequests, the residue of her property, which, it is believed, will amount to near \$4,000, is to be equally divided between Domestic and Foreign Missions.

The present condition of the Parish is highly encouraging.—While four families have been lost to us during the past year, by removal, thirteen others have been added to our number. The sittings of the Church are now, with scarcely a single exception, taken. In all that has been accomplished, the Rector would recognise the Divine blessing ; and find abundant cause for encouragement and gratitude.

### *Trinity Church, Portland.*

THE REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Families 119. Baptisms—infants 14 ; adults 2 ; total 16.—Communicants—added, anew, 8, by removal 3 ; lost, by death, 2, by removal 1 ; present number 95. Confirmed 21. Marriages 8. Burials 11. Sunday School—teachers 16 ; scholars 90. Missionary and charitable contributions—for Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in this Diocese, \$20 ; for Constantinople, \$10 ; for Africa, \$7 ; for Nashotah School, Wisconsin,

\$10 ; for the Parish in Winsted to aid in building a Church, \$69 ; for Grace Church, Cleveland, Ohio, \$35 ; for the Parish in Quincy, Il., to aid in building a Church, \$52 ; for the Parish in Wauertown, Wisconsin, to aid in building a Church, \$49 25 ; for Plainfield, Michigan, to aid in building a Church, \$141 ; for miscellaneous purposes, \$50 97. In addition to these contributions, a member of the Parish has given to sundry Churches in Ohio, \$78. Total, \$522 22.

*Christ Church, Middle Haddam.*

THE REV. F. B. WOODWARD, RECTOR.

The condition of this Parish has not materially changed for the last two years. The number of Families, Communicants, and Sunday Scholars, varies but little from the Reports of my predecessor: During the past year I have attended eight burials ; solemnized two marriages, and baptized six children. Contributions—for Missionary purposes \$7 50 ; collection for C. Knowledge Society, \$6 53.

The slips in the Church rent for \$350 ; and the Ladies' Sewing Circle raise \$50 toward the support of the Rector.

If the usual appropriation to this Parish is made from the funds of the Christian Knowledge Society the present year, no further application for such aid will be made in behalf of the present incumbent while connected with this Parish.

*St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.*

THE REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.

Families 52. Baptisms—infants 3. Communicants—added 8 ; lost by death or removal 3 ; present number 61. Burials 3. Marriages 1. Scholars connected with the Sunday School 35.

Monthly collections have been taken during the past year, and the avails appropriated to various objects within the Parish.—Collection for Missionary purposes \$6 25.

*Grace Church, Saybrook.*

THE REV. JOHN M. GUION, RECTOR.

The stationary condition of a community like that of Say-

brook, furnishes no facilities for accessions to this Parish, while the recent loss by death of several among its most substantial members, is severely felt. The number of Communicants reported at the last Convention was 37 ; 1 has been removed by death, and 3 have been added anew ; present number 39. Baptisms—infants 2. Confirmed 3. Marriages, celebrated within the Parish by a Rev. Brother 1, and by myself beyond the Parish 2. Funerals 3. Missionary contributions \$15. A lively interest is manifested in the Sunday School, and a Bible Class has been recently commenced under quite encouraging circumstances.

*St. John's Church, Essex.*

THE REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families—lost by removal 1 ; added anew 1 ; present number 52. Communicants—lost by removal 1, by death 1 ; present number 70. Baptisms—adult 1, and 3 children. Confirmed 4. Burials 6. Married 1. Sunday School—teachers 6 ; scholars 30. Missionary offerings—Foreign and Domestic \$28 68.

*Union Church, North Killingworth.*

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, MINISTER.

Besides his labors in North Guilford and North Branford, in New Haven County, the Rev. Mr Baldwin reports that he has officiated in North Killingworth 12 Sundays, given the Communion 4 times, and attended 1 funeral.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.*

THE REV. SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., RECTOR.

The usual number of Communicants is 6 ; but, until a Church can be built, it is impossible to state the number of attendants on the services. The sums collected at the Offertory during the past year have been upwards of five dollars, one of which has been devoted to Foreign and the rest to Domestic Missions. Thus of their deep poverty have they given to relieve the wants of

others. Will not the Church take pity on them? Though few in number, they have begun to prepare for building, in full faith that the Church will ultimately sustain them. They are resolved not to run in debt, but will give their labor, and use economically whatever sums the charity of the faithful will bestow.

In addition to this statement respecting his feeble flock, the Historiographer of the Church reports to the Bishop that another volume, to be entitled "The Church before the Incarnation," will be published as soon as the appeal he has made to the Bishops and Conventions of the several Dioceses shall be answered. A faithful Ecclesiastical History is much needed; and as far as labor can effect the relief of this necessity it will be cheerfully given. The Church must supply all other means.

## New London County.

### *St. James' Church, New London.*

THE REV. ROBERT A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families 73. Baptisms—adult 1; children 12. Confirmed 23. Communicants—added, anew, 22, by removals 3; lost, by death 3, by removal 5; present number 126. Sunday School—teachers 14; scholars 60. Missionary and charitable contributions—General Missionary Society \$170; Christian Knowledge Society \$65 (for Stonington;) Destitute Clergy Fund \$28 16; Church Scholarship Society \$25; sundry other appropriations \$144; total \$442 16.

The corner stone of a new Church was laid November 4th, 1847, by the Rt. Rev. J. P. K. HENSHAW, D. D., Bishop of Rhode Island, acting by request of the Bishop of Connecticut; and the sacred edifice is now in progress, rapidly rising in strength and beauty, to be, as we trust, a lasting monument of well directed zeal and liberality, and an abiding resting-place of the Ark of Salvation.

The state of the Parish, temporal and spiritual, is healthy and hopeful.

*Christ Church, Norwich.*

THE REV. WILLIAM F. MORGAN, RECTOR.

Families 212. Baptisms—infants 20 ; adults 6. Confirmed 20. Communicants—added by removal 10, anew 20 ; lost by death 5. Marriages 8. Burials 17. Sunday School—teachers 23 ; scholars, about 120. Missionary and charitable contributions, in the aggregate, \$500 ; of which amount \$165 have been devoted to the Mission at Stonington ; \$15 to the Mission at Kalamazoo, Mich. ; besides offerings to general missionary and parochial objects. At a Fair held by the ladies of the Parish \$400 were realized.

The Rector finds no occasion to vary from the general tenor of his last Report, unless it be to notice a deeper interest in spiritual things, at least on the part of some of his parishioners, than has heretofore been manifest. The recent Confirmation developed much tenderness and depth of religious feeling, which, he trusts, may daily increase more and more.

The work upon the interior of the new Church is now in progress, and we anticipate the time, with great satisfaction, when we shall enter its courts to worship Him who helpeth us, and poureth His benefits upon us.

*St. James' Church, Poquetanock.*

THE REV. HENRY FLOY ROBERTS, RECTOR.

Families, about 40. Baptisms—infant 1 ; adult 1 ; total 2. Communicants—lost by death 2 ; added anew 3 ; present number 60. Marriages 1. Funerals 8. Sunday School—teachers 6 ; scholars 30 ; Missionary and other contributions—for Stonington Mission \$20 ; for Foreign Missions \$13 ; for aged and infirm Clergy \$8,06 ; for Convention expenses \$3,46 ; for Sunday School Library \$8 ; for Christian Knowledge Society \$7 ; making a total of \$54 52.

During the year a commodious Rectory has been built, together with an excellent range of sheds for the accommodation of those who come in carriages from a distance. An Academy has also been erected, and, though it is not strictly a Parish School, it is under the supervision of the Rector, and we hope it may be highly beneficial both to the Church and the community.

*Christ Church, Salem.*

(No REPORT.)

*Calvary Church, Stonington.*

THE REV. J. M. WILLEY, RECTOR.

Families 35. Baptisms—infants 4 ; adults 2 ; total 6. Communicants—added, by removal 1, anew 6 ; lost, by removal 2 ; by death 1 ; present number 17. Burials 11. Marriages 103.

THE REV. JOHN BRANDEGEE.

From my ordination to June 1847, I assisted the Rev. F. S. MINES in St. Paul's Church, St. Croix. Since that time I have been in charge of the Parish at St. Thomas. My ministerial acts have been as follows : Baptisms, infants 75. Marriages 9. Burials 63. The Parish contains 1600 souls, of whom over 200 are communicants. The Sunday School numbers—teachers 35 ; scholars 200, and might be made larger with more extended means for instruction and accommodation. A class of about 200 is now awaiting the arrival of the Bishop for Confirmation. This Parish has been destitute of the regular services of a Clergyman for ten years ; yet the fact that, during that period, the great body of the congregation remained firm amidst the most discouraging circumstances, and under the strongest temptations to abandon their faith, is a very gratifying proof of the hold which the Church possesses upon the affections of her members. We have had to contend with many trials and serious obstacles, not the least of which has been the want of a place of worship. Yet the congregation has much enlarged, and is now believed to be permanently established. Though generally quite destitute, and none of them wealthy, they have contributed within the year \$8000 for religious purposes. We are now engaged in the erection of a stone edifice, adapted to our wants, and of an appropriate style of architecture. The means we can count upon for its completion are quite insufficient ; yet the zeal of the people is great, and they are willing to make almost any sacrifices for the attainment of their laudable object. We had relied upon some assistance from abroad, but have been much disappointed in the re-

sult. The importance of this post of the Church can hardly be overestimated, and by the Divine blessing the measure of success attained has far exceeded our expectations, while the prospects for the future are truly encouraging.

## New Haven County.

### *Trinity Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR.

THE REV. THOMAS CLAPP PITKIN, ASSISTANT RECTOR.

Since our last Annual Report, some important changes have taken place in our parochial relations, which render it somewhat difficult to state, with entire precision, the present number of our families, communicants, and Sunday School children. By the organization of a new Parish (St. Thomas') within the limits of the city, provision has been made for the increasing demand for Church accommodations ; and by the withdrawal of several families from the older Parishes, room has been afforded for the constant accessions received from other sources. As the sittings in the new place of worship are *free*, and as some of the worshippers are only occasional attendants, we have no means of ascertaining how many have permanently attached themselves to the Parish. From Trinity Church, it is believed that some fifteen or sixteen families have withdrawn, embracing twenty-four communicants, and about thirty Sunday School children. From the present occupancy of the pews, however, the congregation appears to have increased, and the number of families falls but little, if any, short of 400. Of the communicants, after deducting 11, lost by death, and 24 by uniting with the new Parish—and adding 45, received by accessions, or as new communicants, the present number may be stated at 470. Sunday School—teachers 29 ; pupils, 292 ; total 321. Baptisms—adults 5 ; children 38 ; total 43. Marriages 14. Burials 38. Monthly offerings, for Missionary and other purposes, for the year ending on the first of August last, \$776 73—an amount comparatively small, occasioned chiefly by the closing of the Church for repairs during

several months of the past year.\* Since the Annual Report in October, our plan for collecting the charities of the Church has been essentially changed. The monthly offerings are now reserved expressly for the aid of Missions ; while the Offertory, collected from the whole congregation, is devoted to pious and charitable objects within the Parish. This plan has been found to increase the aggregate of contributions, and it hoped the result may prove more creditable to the Parish, as well as beneficial to the general interests of the Church.

*St. Paul's Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. S. COOKE, RECTOR.

Families 280. Baptisms—adults 4 ; infants 25 ; total 29. Confirmed 26. Communicants—admitted 28 ; received 42 ; total added 70 ; removed 21 ; died 6 ; present number 314. Marriages 11. Burials 20. Sunday School scholars 200.

The following appropriations have been made within the diocesan year : Church Scholarship Society \$50 ; Society for Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$50 ; Church in Wolcottville \$12 ; Christian Knowledge Society \$112 ; Calvary Church, Stonington, \$100 ; Parish Sunday School \$50 ; from Sunday School collections, for Africa, \$10 ; for Domestic Missions \$10. Special donations for sailors \$50 ; Domestic Missions \$529 50 ; Foreign Missions \$516 50 ; Communion offerings \$246 90. Total \$1,736 90.

In addition to this sum, monies have been collected within the Parish, by individuals, for Church building and other purposes, of which the Treasurer has no account, but which are supposed to amount to about \$200.

The Rector humbly trusts that the year, which closes with so many marks of external prosperity, has had also its fruits of grace and holiness. Without these, all else is as nothing ; but of these this is not the place to speak.

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\* It is to be understood, however, that this amount does not include contributions collected by personal application, or by voluntary Societies, which would, if added, very much increase the aggregate.



*St. James' Church, Westville.*

THE REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, LATE RECTOR.

On the 21st of February last, I resigned the Parish of St. James' Church, Westville. From Easter, previous to the time of my leaving, there had been performed the following ministerial acts, *viz* : Baptisms—infants and children 11. Marriages 2. Funerals 1.

Since my resignation of the Parish, I have officiated two Sundays for the Rev. Mr. TOMLINSON, at Weston, and also six Sundays, by request of the Vestry, in St. John's Church, New Milford, where, in addition to the regular Sunday services, I attended one funeral.

*St. Luke's Church, New Haven.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. Thomas' Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.

This Parish was duly organized in March last, and the Rector, who was soon after appointed to the charge of it, entered upon his duties on Easter Sunday. As far as it has been possible to arrive at correctness during this brief period, the number of Families belonging to the Parish, and regularly attending its services, is 44, besides several single persons. Baptisms, 2 infants. Marriages 1. Communicants 47. Sunday School—teachers 11; scholars 48.

A temporary place of worship has been provided; and, for the present at least, the current parochial expenses will be defrayed by the voluntary contributions of the people, received at each occasion of public service. It may not be prudent to be greatly encouraged in this early stage of the enterprise; but it will be safe to say that the indications of successful growth are in the highest degree favorable.

For the statistics of my official acts in that portion of the Conventional year previous to Easter, reference is made to the Report of my successor in the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Chesh-

*Christ Church, Guilford.*

THE REV. LORENZO T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families 64. Baptisms—infants 4. Communicants—lost by removal 2; by death 1; added anew 3; present number 101. Burials 5. Marriages 7. Monthly offerings for purposes extra-parochial, \$65 23.

In every interest conneted with this Parish, there has been a gradual and steady improvement. Commendable seriousness of demeanor, and regularity in attendance on public worship, characterize the parishioners generally; and, although there have been but few accessions to the Communion, the Rector trusts that there are many of whom it might truly be said, only this "one thing thou lackest."

The young Ladies of the Parish have recently, from the proceeds of a Sewing Circle, purchased window-blinds for the Church, at an expense of \$165.

Besides for Domestic and Foreign Missions, collections have been made, as required by Resolution, for the Church Scholarship Society; and as required by Canon, for the Christian Knowledge Society, and for the relief of the infirm and necessitous of the Clergy.

*St. John's Church, North Guilford.*

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR.

Families 39. Baptisms—children 3. Marriages 1. Burials 3. Sunday School—scholars 21; teachers 5.

This Church has had the services of the Minister, during the year, twenty-six Sundays, and a number of the Festivals and Fasts. The Holy Communion has here been administered six times to a goodly number of devout worshippers.

*Zion Church, North Branford.*

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, MINISTER.

Since the last Convention I have officiated thirteen Sundays in Zion Church, North Branford, baptized one child, and administered the Communion five times.

For the remainder of the Rev. Mr. Baldwin's official acts,

reference is made to the Report of Union Church, Killingworth, Middlesex County.

*Trinity Church, Branford.*

THE REV. FREDERICK MILLER, RECTOR.

Families 87. Baptisms—infants 5 ; adults 2 ; total 7. Communicants—added anew 13 ; by removal 1 ; lost by death 2, by removal 5 ; present number 122. Marriages 4. Burials 6. Sunday School—teachers 16 ; scholars, about 75. Contributions for Missionary and charitable purposes \$99 92.

The Parsonage-house, which was built by individuals and held as stock, is now owned by the Parish, most of those who held shares having generously given them, and the remainder having been made up by contributions. The Ladies' Sewing Society have also purchased blinds for the Parsonage.

*Christ Church, East Haven.*

THE REV. HENRY EDWARDS, DEACON.

Families about 42. Baptisms—infants and children 6. Confirmed 3. Communicants—added anew 2 ; by removal 2 ; lost by death 4 ; present number 37. Monthly offerings since September, 1847, \$19 44. Christian Knowledge Society \$3. Domestic Missions \$3 25. Foreign Missions \$2 25.

A debt of about \$112 has been liquidated ; and a fine toned bell placed in the tower at a cost of \$260.

The Parish is outwardly prosperous.

*St. James' Church, Fair Haven.*

THE REV. WILLIAM E. VIBBERT, RECTOR.

Families 62. Baptisms—infants and children 6 ; adults 4 ; total 10. Confirmed 10. Communicants—added by removal 4 ; anew 8 ; lost by removal 0 ; by death 0 ; present number 42. Marriages 0. Burials 1. Sunday School—teachers 8 ; scholars about 40. Contributions—for objects within the Parish \$33 86 ; Foreign and Domestic Missions \$53 83 ; Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$5 ; aged and infirm Clergymen \$6 14 ; Convention Fund \$4 50 ; total \$103 33.

This Parish, by the Divine blessing, continues to enjoy a good degree of *temporal* prosperity ; and it is hoped that its *spiritual* condition is likewise gradually improving. During the past year, several souls have been gathered into the fold of the REDEEMER ; for which the Rector would desire to express his humble acknowledgments to the great Head of the Church. May the Lord of the vineyard still continue to bless the seed sown, and cause it to spring up and bear fruit abundantly to His honor and glory.

An effort is now being made by the Parishioners to cancel the indebtedness of the Parish ; and I am happy to say that the requisite sum has already been pledged, to within, comparatively, a small amount.

During a temporary absence of the Associate Rectors of Trinity Parish, New Haven, I officiated at a funeral in that Parish. I also baptized a child in the Parish of Northford, on an occasion of exchange with the Rev. Mr. FITCH.

*St. John's Church, North Haven.*

THE REV. C. W. EVEREST, LATE MINISTER.

Families 43. Communicants—lost by death 2 ; present number 36. Baptism 1. Marriages 3. Burials 3.

From the time of the last Convention, until Easter of the present year, I have performed Clerical services in this Parish for one half of the time. The Parish is at present vacant.

*St. Andrew's Church, Northford.*

THE REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

Families 30. Baptisms—infants 5 ; adults 1 ; total 6. Confirmed 10. Communicants—added by removal 2, anew 8 ; lost by death 3, by removal 1 ; present number 55. Burials 3. Sunday School—teachers 7, scholars 33. Missionary and charitable contributions \$31 01.

*St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.*

THE REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.

Families about 80. Baptisms—infants 4 ; adults 2 ; total 6.

Communicants—lost by death 1 ; present number 113. Marriages 2—one extra-parochial. Burials 12.

There has been but little change in this Parish since the last Report. In matters temporal, and in the usual attendance upon Divine service, there is no reason for discouragement. But as it respects spiritual life and growth, the visible tokens are not such as could be desired, or as reasonably might be expected. It is hoped, however, that some good seed has been sown, which, under the Divine blessing, may hereafter spring up and bear fruit.

*St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.*

THE REV. JOSEPH H. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families 57. Communicants 90. Baptisms—infants 4. Marriages 2. Burials 10.

The above is the record left by the former Minister of this Church, the Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY. The present Rector entered upon his charge on Easter-Sunday. Since that period, he has married one couple. Monthly offerings since the last Convention \$60 72.

As the number of children in proportion to the families in this congregation is unusually small, and as it has been found extremely difficult to procure Sunday School teachers, the Rector has thought it expedient, instead of having a Sunday School, to take the whole duty of instructing the young upon himself individually. He has, accordingly, on every Sunday, except when the Holy Communion has been administered, examined the children thoroughly in the Catechism of the Church, and in nothing else. In reviving, according to the imperative language of the rubric, this ancient system of teaching the youthful members of his charge, and giving to it as it deserves, not a subordinate but a prominent place, the Rector has found a rich reward for his labor. Parents, as well as their children, have been alike instructed in the exercise, and there is reason to think that while it will prove, by God's help, the means of cementing more closely the sacred bond of Pastor and people, it will become an effectual instrument in bringing up the young in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and keeping them, when arrived at mature age, steadfast in the faith of their fathers.

*St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.*

THE REV. C. MUNSON, RECTOR.

Families 80. Baptisms—infants 11; adults 2. Confirmed 6. Communicants—added by removal 3, anew 2; lost by removal 3, by death 5; present number 130. Marriages 2. Burials 7. Sunday School—teachers 9; scholars about 50. Monthly contributions for Missionary and other objects beyond the limits of the Parish \$54 25.

This Parish is now engaged in the erection of a new Church, the corner-stone of which was laid on the 8th of the present month.

*Grace Church, Hamden.*

THE REV. C. W. EVEREST, RECTOR.

Families 51. Baptisms—infants 5; adults 4. Confirmations 13. Communicants—added by removal 5, anew 10; lost by death 2; present number 80. Marriages 6. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 9; scholars 40. Bible Class 15. Collections for Missions \$17 31.

It affords me pleasure to state, that, during the past year, the Church edifice has been thoroughly repaired, through the laudable zeal and liberality of the parishioners. The congregation has greatly increased; and a new spirit, manifested in various ways, affords ground of encouragement for the future.

*Christ Church, West Haven.*

THE REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families reported in 1847, 53; lost by death and removal 8; added by removal 6; present number 51. Baptisms—infants and children 8. Confirmed 6. Communicants reported in 1847, 59; lost by death 2; by removal 4; total 6; added by removal 8, anew 4; total 12; present number 65. Marriages 1. Burials 5.

Though the number of families has not increased numerically, the changes have been decidedly in our favor, as it regards pecuniary ability, and the number of Communicants. The congre-

gation has been gradually increasing, as may be seen from the following fact. The average attendance on all the Sundays from Easter to Advent, in 1845, was 55; in 1846, 70; in 1847, 86; from Easter, 1848, to the present time, 105. Of the Communicants 40 have been added since my connexion with the Parish; 18 of them having originally belonged to some other denomination; and of the six confirmed, only one belonged to an old Church family. The Sunday School has been unusually delayed this year, in consequence of my sickness, which disabled me from all duty from Ash-Wednesday to Easter, and did not allow the resumption of full duties on Sunday until Whitsunday, and not even then without extraordinary exertion.

The Rector believes that the growth of the Parish in spiritual things, has kept pace with its increase in outward prosperity. A deeper and more pervading sense of Christian duty and obligation seems to have prevailed, and stricter attention been given to those duties which are the proper evidence of such a feeling—a feeling which was suddenly aroused, and, we hope, permanently strengthened by the unexpected and startling announcement in Church, that the Rector of the Parish was supposed to be dying. The Rector hopes that his long sickness has been blessed to himself in giving him a deeper and more controlling sense of his duty and responsibility, and in quickening him in the performance of the same; and also to his parishioners, in making them feel more deeply than ever before, the relation of Pastor and people, the ties that bind them together, and their duties and responsibilities towards him.

It may also be proper to state, that during the months of September and October, of last year, I was engaged a considerable share of the time as one of the Superintendants and Teachers of the *Temporary Normal Schools*, established by the Legislature of the State in 1847. It was with much reluctance that I consented to act in that capacity, and nothing but a firm conviction that the Clergy should lend their aid, so far as possible, to advance the cause of public education, and to assist in directing it in the proper channel, induced me to do it. Arrangements having been made, so that the ordinary duties of the Parish should not be neglected, I undertook the office, which was discharged with profit to the teacher, and, he trusts, not without benefit to the pupils.

*St. George's Church, Milford.*

THE REV. JAMES DIXON CARDER, RECTOR.

Families about 35. Baptisms—infants 10. Confirmed 8. Communicants—added by removal 4, anew 3; lost by removal 4, by death 3; total 48. Burials 2. Contributions—for Tracts in New York \$1 27; for the Christian Knowledge Society \$2; for the Church Scholarship Fund \$1; for the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$1 50; for Bishop Seabury's Monument \$1 50; for Domestic Missions, (Epiphany offering) \$6.

These statistics relate to the condition of the Parish up to the month of March, when the late Rector, the Rev. F. E. WHITE, resigned it. The present incumbent has only recently entered upon his duties, but is encouraged to hope that, on the good foundation which his predecessor laid, the Parish, under the Divine blessing, is enjoying a good degree of prosperity.

The Church edifice, erected of wood before the Revolution, is suffering from decay, and ought to be replaced by one of greater convenience, and better adaptation to the place and the times. Should an effort be made to build a new House of God, it is hoped that this Parish which has, through so long a period, struggled to maintain an existence in the Diocese, will receive largely of the sympathy and substantial interest felt by our brethren elsewhere, in a work that, if undertaken and accomplished, must be one of great self-denial to the few who now compose the congregation.

*St. James' Church, Derby, (Birmingham.)*

THE REV. WILLIAM BLISS ASHLEY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 8; adults 3; total 11. Confirmed 9. Communicants—lost by death 3, by removal 8; total 11; added by removal 4, anew 18; total 22; whole number 155. Marriages 11. Burials 10. Offerings and contributions to objects other than parochial \$280<sup>4</sup>.

THE REV. N. S. RICHARDSON

Respectfully reports, that his connection with Christ Parish, Derby, ceased, with the consent of the Bishop, on Easter-Sunday



last ; being compelled to withdraw from his pastoral relation on account of the increasing duties connected with the "Church Review and Ecclesiastical Register."

Previous to his resignation, the following official acts, since his last Report, are to be recorded:

Baptisms—infants 10 ; adult 1 ; total 11. Burials 7. Marriages 2. Communicants—added anew 1, by removal 10 ; total 11 ; lost by death 1, removal 3.

He wishes also to record, with commendation, the gift to the Parish of a massive Silver Flagon, for the service of the "Holy Communion," by Mrs. BETSEY VOSE ; also two Cups for the same purpose, by Miss WILHEMINA VERVIER ; also of a Marble Font, by the Vestry of Trinity Parish, New-Haven. During the three years of this pastoral connection, a kind Providence has prospered the endeavors made to build up this ancient Parish ; the Church edifice having undergone extensive repairs, and also been furnished with a bell, organ and Vestry-room, all excellent of their kind, and promptly paid for. A new and convenient Parsonage, also, has been completed. The ordinary congregations have increased more than two-fold, and the number of Communicants been enlarged nearly in the same proportion. More than fifty persons have received the Holy Sacrament of Baptism. The future prospects of the Parish, from the rapid increase of the population in the immediate neighborhood, are exceedingly flattering. The Rev. C. S. PUTNAM was unanimously invited to the Rectorship, to whose Report reference is made in respect to its present condition.

*Christ Church, Derby.*

THE REV. C. S. PUTNAM, RECTOR.

Families added since Easter 7 ; lost 2 ; total increase 5. Baptisms—infants 3. Persons confirmed 4. Communicants—added 9 ; lost 1 ; total number added 8. Burial 1.

*Union Church, Humphreysville.*

THE REV. A. NICHOLS, LATE MINISTER.

In fulfilment of a temporary engagement, I officiated from Whit-Sunday, 1847, to Easter 1848.

The number of families is 89, consisting of 292 persons. Com-

municans 77. Baptisms—7 infants and 3 adults. Confirmed 6. Marriages 4. Burials 4.

The Parish is strong in numbers and wealth. Nothing but the influence of GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT is wanting to make it one of the most prosperous and efficient in the Diocese.

*St. Peter's Church, Oxford, and Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.*

THE REV. DAVID P. SANFORD, RECTOR.

The Rector would report that, though there has been no very marked change in the condition of this Cure, yet there is on the whole some improvement. The attendance on public worship is increasing; and there is an increasing interest in the truths of the Gospel, as taught by the Church.

*St. Peter's Church.*—Families 63. Baptisms—adult 1; infants 16; total 17. Communicants—added anew 3; lost by death 1; present number 40. Marriages 2. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 60. Missionary and charitable contributions \$30 88.

*Christ Church.*—Families 62. Baptisms—infants 11. Communicants 26. Marriages 3. Burials 2. Sunday School—teachers 6; scholars 55. Missionary and charitable contributions \$27 96.

*St. John's Church, Waterbury.*

THE REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

Families 220. Baptisms—infants 51; adults 18; whole number 69. Communicants 358; added by removals 16, anew 47; lost by removals 27, by death 8. Marriages 10. Burials 30; six burials were extra-parochial, and will probably be included in other Reports. Confirmed 39. Sunday School—teachers 60; scholars 295. The following disbursements of money, raised for benevolent objects without the Parish, have been made: to the Domestic department of our Missionary Society, including aid to several Churches being erected within the sphere of the Society's operations \$354 61; to the Foreign department, including \$20 raised by the Sunday School as their eighth annual payment to educate Thomas C. Brownell at the African Mission \$130 50; to aid in erecting Churches within our own Diocese \$300; to the

Christian Knowledge Society \$73 ; to the Church Scholarship Society \$100 ; for the benefit of Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$27 56 ; in treasury \$12 ; total \$997 67.

The Ladies, by their unwearied labors in their sewing circles and by various individual donations, have raised within the last two years \$767 83, which they have expended in furnishing the Church with cushions, carpets, chancel furniture, &c., besides about \$38 included in the above appropriations to Missions.

The new Church, the corner-stone of which was laid June 6th, 1846, was consecrated by the Rt. Rev. THE BISHOP of the Diocese, on the 12th of January last. Its dimensions, including buttresses, and Chapel attached, occupy an area of 11,704 square feet, classed as follows :

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| Extreme length from out to out,   | - | - | - | 154 feet. |
| Extreme width,                    | - | - | - | 76 "      |
| Main building, inside buttresses, | - | - | - | 112 "     |
| Breadth,                          | - | - | - | 64 "      |

The number of slips below is 142 ; in the gallery, exclusive of the orchestra, 60.

The resolution of the Parish, when the enterprise was begun, not to embarrass themselves, and oppress the rising generation with debt, they have been enabled, by the blessing of God, to fulfil. In a temporal point of view, the Parish was probably never as prosperous as at the present time ; and the Rector has been encouraged to hope, by finding many youth ready to publicly profess CHRIST as their Lord and Saviour, that there is among us much closet devotion, and domestic piety.

*St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.*

THE REV. JAMES MACKAY, RECTOR.

Families 110. Baptisms—children 12 ; adults 1. Communicants—added by removal 1 ; lost by death 1 ; present number 150. Marriages 8. Burials 13. Sunday scholars, 130. Monthly offerings for Missions, Domestic and Foreign, \$29,00. Other contributions, \$26,00.

During my absence for thirteen weeks, on a visit to my native land, the pulpit was supplied by the Rev. Mr. Paddock of Cheshire and others ; and I have to acknowledge the kindness of some of my brethren in the neighborhood, who officiated for me at several funerals.

Within the past year, my parishioners purchased an admirable organ (which originally cost \$1400,) at an expense of \$750; and I am glad to learn that nearly the whole of that sum has been paid. Our choir is now one of the most effective in the Diocese.

Having accepted a pastoral charge in the Diocese of Moray, Scotland, I have resigned the Rectorship of St. Michael's, Naugatuck; intending, however, to officiate, as formerly, until the first of September next. The Parish is at present in a most prosperous condition. The services of the Church are well attended; and I hope that a large class will be ready for Confirmation before I leave. May the blessing of God rest on my kind-hearted parishioners, who have at all times done everything in their power to promote my temporal comfort.

As this is probably the last Parochial Report which I shall have the honor of presenting to an American Bishop, I may here be permitted to express my gratitude to the Great Disposer of events, for leading me in His providence to this happy country, where I first learned to distinguish primitive truth and apostolic order from the errors and irregularities of sectarianism.

*Christ Church, Bethany.*

THE REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 3. Communicants 130.—Marriages 3. Burials 11. Sunday School—teachers 10; scholars 65.

Of the official acts here reported, 1 infant was baptized, 2 marriages were performed, and 8 funerals attended by the late Rector of the Parish, the Rev. D. POTTER.

I have had charge of this Church since Easter, and my recent connection with it precludes any additional remarks.

*All Saints' Church, Wolcott.*

THE REV. JOHN D. SMITH, MINISTER.

Families, about 40. Communicants—added 1; died or removed 2; present number 49. Baptisms—adults 3; infants 10. Confirmed 6. Burials 2. Marriages 1. Sunday school scholars 20. Contributions to the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$11,50.

The changes which have taken place in this Parish since the last Convention are chiefly those which have been caused by death, in removing one of its most valuable members, whose loss the Parish is but ill able to sustain. The services of the Church are, however, continued on every Lord's Day, in the hope that some aid will be received from the Christian Knowledge Society. The music of the Church has been much improved during the past year ; and there is a very good attendance at Church.

*Trinity Church, Woodbridge.*

(No REPORT.)

*Church of the Resurrection, Southbury.*

(No REPORT.)

THE REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

Since my last year's Report, I have, on one occasion, administered the Holy Communion for the Rev. Mr. EDWARDS, of East Haven. I have also assisted the Rev. Mr. COOKE, of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, once a month, when my health has permitted, in the administration of the same Holy Ordinance. In other respects, the duties which I have performed have been the same as heretofore reported.

*Episcopal Academy of Connecticut.*

THE REV. S. B. PADDOCK, PRINCIPAL.

The Principal of the Academy at Cheshire has been more frequently called upon the past year for Clerical services, than any former year. These, however, have in no instance interfered with his duties to the Academy. To this, he has devoted his entire labors during the week, assisted constantly by a Graduate of Trinity College, and a portion of the time by an Under-graduate. Sixty-three pupils have been connected with the Institution, who have been almost universally characterized by good health, good morals, and a commendable devotion to their studies. The Sunday evening lectures have been continued, and no opportunity has been neglected, either public or private, of impressing the

hearts and minds of the pupils with the importance of the *one thing needful*, and of leading them into the ways of wisdom.

## *Fairfield County.*

### *Christ Church, Stratford.*

THE REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, RECTOR.

Families 103. Baptisms—infants, 10 reported but not published last year, by a mistake in the printed Report, this year 11, both making 21. Sunday School—teachers 9; scholars 60. Communicants—added by removal 4, anew 2; lost by death 1; whole number 105. Confirmed 0, as the Bishop's visitation this year will not be until the autumn. Burials 17. Contributions monthly, as follows; for general Missions \$65 94; for carpeting Church \$90; for Sunday School books \$11 50; for Christian Knowledge Society \$9 13; for Church Scholarship Society \$10; for Clerical Relief Fund \$13 43; in all \$200.

The customary services have been held on Sundays in the Church throughout the year, with but one or two exceptions, and extra services during Lent and at other times. The stated services especially have been uniformly well attended; and the number present at our Communion seasons, for celebrating "the exceeding great love of our MASTER and only SAVIOUR," has been unusually large, and it may be said of the congregation generally, that there has been a gradual increase. This Parish, judging from all outward indications, seems to be united, and going on church-wise with one mind, and I trust that in the hearts of those "who profess and call themselves Christians" there is peace and joy in the HOLY GHOST, and a growing meetness for the Kingdom which is heavenly and eternal.

### *St. John's Church, Bridgeport.*

THE REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 45; adult 1. Burials 38. Marriages 16. Communicants 356. Families 310. Sunday School—scholars and teachers 197. Charitable collections \$448 14.

*Trinity Church, Fairfield.*

THE REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families 104. Baptisms—infants 9 ; adults 3. Confirmed 9. Communicants—added anew, 10 ; by removal 5 ; lost by death 4 ; by removal 5 ; present number 195. Marriages 7. Funerals 11. Bible Class about 20. Sunday scholars 100. Charitable contributions—Monthly collections \$223 39 ; Offertory \$47 28 ; total \$270 77.

The charitable contributions have been appropriated as follows : for Domestic Missions \$42 ; Mission at Nashotah \$2 ; Foreign Missions \$42 33 ; Christian Knowledge Society \$30 ; Church Scholarship \$15 ; Floating Chapels in New York, \$30 71 ; Fund for disabled Ministers \$16 ; Grace Church, Cleveland \$15 50 ; Church in Quincy, Illinois \$31 ; Sunday School \$10 25. The remainder, being the greater part of the Offertory at Communion, has been applied to charitable purposes within the Parish.

In addition to the above, a small sum, unknown to the Rector, has been contributed for the erection of a new Church at Nichols' Farms, and a donation of five dollars, with a pledge of more, for the Church at Winsted.

This Parish has suffered somewhat of late, both in its temporal and spiritual interests, from a lack of sufficient accommodations for *families*, to secure all its opportunities of progress and extension. This evil which, by reason of the frequent absence of many members of the Parish in the prosecution of commercial affairs, has hitherto appeared less serious than it really is, will doubtless soon be permanently remedied by measures already in progress.

A very encouraging feature in the present state of this Parish is the unusual proportion of boys regularly attending the Sunday School ; an interesting feature traceable in part to the influence of an unpretending but very useful instrumentality, of which the Rector deems it expedient to give here a brief sketch.

In the year 1818, during the ministry of that venerable servant of God, the late Rev. PHILO SHELTON, an Association was formed in this Parish, then quite feeble and comprising less than half of his cure, by the name of "the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the town of Fairfield." With a fund of one hundred and thirty dollars, raised by subscriptions of life members

and others at various times—less than two thirds of this sum having been collected at the outset—this Association, by very judicious management, besides supplying its life members and their successors and other subscribers from time to time with good substantial Prayer Books including many of large size, has furnished the desk of the Church, fourteen years ago, with an excellent Bible and Prayer Book, and distributed gratuitously, in a gradually increasing annual number, about *five hundred* Prayer Books, small and large, to poor children, apprentices, servants, transient laborers, seamen, and indigent persons advanced in years, not only within the town of Fairfield, but among the Churchmen in the adjoining towns of Easton and Weston, and occasionally also to prisoners in the County Jail; and has, in the mean time, increased its permanent fund, by accumulation, to the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. The distribution of “Bibles without notes,” although included in the object and purpose of this Association, has been from the first almost superseded by the more extensive operations of Bible Societies, under other auspices.

It is proper to add, that my pastoral labors have been increased within a few months past, by the necessity which seems to be laid upon me to give some attention to the spiritual wants of several families of Churchmen, and sons and daughters of Churchmen, who, though residing within this township, have been always accustomed to attend public worship at the old Church in Easton (formerly Weston) before it was too much dilapidated for such a use. I have therefore of late preached occasionally on Sunday evenings at the School House in Deerfield district, and have made an appointment to preach a few days hence and baptize several children in that neighborhood.

——— *Church, Weston.*

THE REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, MINISTER.

There has been but little alteration in the general state of this Parish the past year.

Baptisms—infants 12; adults 3. Marriages 2. Burials 3. Sunday School—teachers 7; scholars, about 34. Communicants—lost by death 3; added anew 1. Some 4 or 5 persons are awaiting Confirmation, when it is expected they will come to the Communion. Missionary and charitable contributions, about \$20.



The Missionary has been enabled, with the Divine blessing, to open the Church for worship nearly every Sunday during the year, aided by the valuable services of Mr. E. T. LANE, who, with the approbation of the Bishop, has assisted him in reading the Liturgy.

*St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.*

THE REV. WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D., RECTOR.

About 100 Families are connected with this Parish. The Baptisms have been 22, viz., 2 adults and 20 infants. There have died, or removed from the Parish, 7 Communicants; 12 have been added, leaving the present number 205. There have been 5 Marriages, and 13 Burials. The Sunday School has been well attended, having at times numbered 160 pupils and 45 teachers; total 205.

The amount raised in the Parish during the past year for Missions—in aid of new and feeble Parishes, and for other benevolent purposes—is \$417 75.

*St. John's Church, Stamford.*

THE REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D., RECTOR.

Families, about 114. Baptisms—infants 13; adults 4. Marriages 2. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars about 60. Communicants—added anew 7; by removal 9; lost by death 1; whole number, about 150. Missionary and charitable contributions—Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society \$190 27; Nashotah Mission \$29 50; Bishop Kemper's Mission \$70 83; the Rev. Mr. Giddinge for building Church in Quincy, Illinois \$24; the Rev. Alexander Varian, for building Church in Cleveland, Ohio, \$20 09; Christian Knowledge Society \$47 12; total \$381 60.

*St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.*

THE REV. HENRY OLMSTEAD, RECTOR.

Families 97. Baptisms—infants 13; adults 5; whole number 18. Confirmed 9. Communicants—added, by removal 3; anew 12; lost by death 5; by removal 3; whole number 150. Marriages 3. Burials 13. Sunday School 51. Missionary and charitable contributions \$112 70.

The present Report is made out from the Register of the Parish, recently obtained, and without reference to any former statistics.

*St. James' Church, Danbury.*

THE REV. W. WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.

Families 64. Baptism—infant 1. Communicants—died 1; removed 4; added by removal 3; anew 1; present number 63. Marriages 2. Burials—adults 3; infants 3. Collections—Mission to Constantinople \$8; Domestic Missions \$10; from children of Sunday School to Nashotah Mission \$3 50; for Fund for Disabled Clergymen \$7 50; Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$2 56; Parochial objects \$27 28.

The present Rector entered upon his duties in November last, having succeeded the Rev. T. T. GUION.

*St. Thomas' Church, Bethel.*

THE REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

Families—removed 3; added, by removal 1; present number 56. Baptisms—infants 17; adults 6; total 23. Confirmed 5. Communicants—removed 8; added anew 6; by removal 4; present number 60. Marriages 6. Burials 10.

The Rector has nothing special to report respecting this Parish. During the past year a commodious Vestry-room has been built, and the Church thoroughly painted anew.

*Christ Church, Reading.*

THE REV. J. P. TAYLOR, RECTOR.

Families 50. Baptisms—infants 12; adults 11; whole num-

ber 23. Communicants—(the number reported last year was too large) added by removal 6; anew 13; whole number added 19; died 2; present number 42. Confirmed 12. Marriages 3. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 10; scholars 50. Alms and Offerings \$37 76; in addition to which the Parish has paid the balance of its old debt, amounting to \$870.

*Trinity Church, Newtown.*

THE REV. S. STEBBINS STOCKING, RECTOR.

Families 210. Baptisms—infants 11; adults 2; whole number 13. Communicants—added 12; lost by death 4; whole number 250. Marriages 12. Burials 17. Sunday School—teachers 35; scholars from 150 to 200. Missionary and charitable contributions about \$300.

In addition to the above parochial statistics the Rector would report to his Bishop that, in consequence of a chronic disease of the throat, which renders him incapable of performing the morning and evening services of the Church, he deems it expedient wholly to relinquish public speaking for the present; and he has accordingly tendered his resignation of the Parish of which he has had charge nearly eight years. In this, his last Report of the Parish, therefore, he deems it not inappropriate to state that, during his Rectorship, 159 children and 218 adults have been admitted by him to Church membership in the Sacrament of Baptism; 89 persons have been presented, on four several occasions, to his Bishop for the reception of the Holy Rite of Confirmation; 112 have been admitted by him to the Sacrament of the Altar; 150 persons have been united by him in Holy Matrimony; and about \$2180 have been raised in the Parish for Missionary and charitable purposes.

He has also the satisfaction of reporting to his Ordinary that he leaves the Parish consolidated in Church feeling, generally attached to the Church's distinctive doctrines and usages, and not lower, it is hoped, in its standard of scriptural piety, than when he first became its incumbent. He leaves the Church of his first charge, therefore, with the expression of the Christian sentiment of Father Paul, "*Esto perpetua.*"

*St. James' Church, Zoar.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.*

THE REV. H. D. NOBLE, RECTOR.

Families 80. Baptisms—infants and children 10; adults 12; total 22. Confirmed 30, (two from the Parish of St. John's Church, Bridgeport.) Communicants—added by removal 2; anew 24; lost by death 2; by removal 2; present number 109. Marriages 6. Burials 12. Sunday School—teachers 12; scholars 60. Bible class 22. Missionary and charitable contributions for objects without the Parish as follows: Domestic Missions \$38; Foreign Missions \$16; P. E. Tract Society \$3; Church Scholarship Society \$7; Christian Knowledge Society \$5; Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$5; Church at Quincy, Illinois, and at North Canaan, Conn., \$20; total \$94.

The Rector is happy to be able to report that the prospects of this Parish are, at present, more encouraging than they have ever been since his connection with it. The number of Baptisms, of Confirmations, and of Communicants who have been added anew, it is hoped, may be regarded as an indication that that blessing, without which all human efforts must prove unavailing, has not been withheld from the ministration of the Word and Sacraments. The Sunday School is in a flourishing condition. Recently also a commendable degree of interest with regard to the temporal affairs of the Church has been awakened; and this interest has manifested itself in prompt and efficient action. In view of these circumstances, the hope is entertained that the time is not far distant, when this Parish, through God's mercy in CHRIST JESUS, will be blessed with a good degree both of temporal and spiritual prosperity.

*St. Paul's Church, Huntington.*

THE REV. CHARLES J. TODD, MINISTER.

My services in this Church commenced August 5th, 1847.

Since that time five Families have been added, making the present number 57. Baptisms—infants 4. Confirmed 4. Communicants—added 5; present number 66. Marriages 2. Burials 5. Sunday School—teachers 9; scholars 30. Contributions for charitable purposes \$14; for the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$5.

*St. Peter's Church, Monroe.*

THE REV. J. H. BETTS, RECTOR.

Families 65. Baptisms—infants 2 ; adults 2 ; whole number 4. Confirmed 12. Communicants—added, by removal 1, anew 12 ; died 1 ; present number 90. Marriages 3. Burials 6.—Sunday School—teachers 8 ; scholars 40.

The system of Monthly Offerings has been adopted in this Parish, and, during the year past, they have amounted to the sum of \$66 11. Of this sum \$21 36 have been appropriated to Foreign and Domestic Missions ; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$3 ; for the benefit of aged and infirm Clergymen \$3 ; and the remainder has been appropriated to objects within the Parish.

This Parish has also expended upon the Church, the past year \$438, viz., in painting it, in carpeting it, and in refitting the Chancel. Of this sum \$237 were raised by the Ladies of the Parish, to whom much credit is due for the untiring efforts which they have put forth to advance the interests of the Church in this place. The Communicants have also purchased a Silver Communion Set, at a cost of \$98.

This Parish acknowledges, with gratitude, a valuable present of an octagonal Baptismal Font, of hewn stone, the cost of which was \$35, from Mrs. ROSSITER, the widow of its former worthy Rector. So that, during the past year, the contributions of this Parish, to objects within and without it, exclusive of the salary, have amounted to the sum of \$637.

Since Christmas the Church has been opened for Divine Service on most of the Festivals, and the attendance on these days has been very good, and the observance of them has undoubtedly exerted a salutary influence upon the Parish.

This Parish is now united and prosperous, and God grant that we may faithfully use those means of grace which have been given us, for the salvation of our souls.

*Christ Church, (Tashua,) and Grace Church, (Long Hill,) Trumbull.*

THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, RECTOR,

Respectfully reports to his Bishop, that he entered upon his

ministerial duties in the above named Parishes, on the second Sunday after Easter last ; since which time he has, besides his regular Sunday services held in these Parishes alternately, officiated at one funeral at Tashua, and also, by request, lectured at a third service, and officiated at a funeral in the newly organized Parish at "Nichols' Farms." in the same town. This Parish, it may be proper to state, is now erecting a neat little Church, which, when done, will make the *third* Episcopal Church in the town of Trumbull ; and all three within a circle whose diameter will not exceed *seven* miles. The members of this new Parish, however, are principally from the neighboring Parishes of Bridgeport, Stratford, and Huntington.

My present Cure, although it now consists of *two* regularly organized Parishes, was formerly but *one* Parish ; and now, as the Churches are but about three miles apart, it is more like one Parish having two places for Divine worship ; for, to a great extent, both Parishes assemble regularly in each place of worship.

The following comprises the substance of what statistical information I am able to give.

*Christ Church, Tashua.*—Families 61. Baptisms, by the late Rector, 3 children. Communicants about 60. Marriages 2. Burials, including the one by myself, 2.

This Parish has a new and very neat Gothic Church, and, (what is a great blessing to any Parish,) is *out of debt* ; and to all appearances, the temporal and spiritual interests of the Parish are advancing.

*Grace Church, Long Hill.*—Families 41. Baptisms—by the late Rector, 1. Communicants about 41. Marriages 1. Burials 2.

This Parish has also a neat and commodious Church, comparatively new ; and is also *out of debt*. And may God grant to it *spiritual* prosperity equal to its *temporal*, which is acknowledged to be abundant.

For the remainder of my Report see Christ Church, Harwinton, and St. Matthew's East Plymouth, Litchfield County.

*St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.*

THE REV. D. H. SHORT, RECTOR.

The number of Families legally connected with the Parish is 26. But the number depending upon the Rector for services

and for pastoral visits, is 58. Baptisms—infants 10. Marriages 3. Burials 8, 6 communicants and 2 not belonging to the Parish. The number of Communicants has been diminished 12, 6 by death, 4 by removal, 1 by suspension, and 1 by schism.—There have been added the past year 14, 7 anew, and 7 by removal; the whole number on the Register is 85; and of these all have received the Holy Communion within the past year, it is believed, except 9, who are persons aged and infirm. The offerings of the Church, during the year, amount to \$43 64; of which there have been appropriated, to the Church Scholarship Society \$5; to Foreign Missions \$3; to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$5 37; to the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$5 17; total for benevolent purposes, extraneous to the Parish, \$18 54—almost double that of the preceding year. This, it is thought, may be noticed, among other things, as an index of increasing interest.

Further evidences of increasing prosperity are the renting of a larger number of pews than on the former year, a more numerous attendance on the Lord's Day, a more strict observance of the season of Lent, and a larger attendance upon the public worship on days of fasting and prayer, a more general attendance on the administration of the Holy Communion, a greater degree of seriousness among the youth, and the unanimity and good feeling which seem to pervade the whole congregation.—For these tokens of prosperity the Rector would ascribe all to the blessing of the great Head of the Church, who alone giveth the increase.

*Christ Church, Greenwich, and Emmanuel Chapel, Glenville.*

THE REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 20; adults 4; total 24. Communicants—added 14, removed 2. Marriages 2. Funerals—infants 2, adults 18; total 20. Sunday School—teachers 16; scholars 80. Church offerings \$69 03.

The Rev. HORACE HILLS, Jun., of Michigan, officiates in Glenville, as reported last year.

*Christ Church, Westport.*

(NO REPORT.)

## Litchfield County.

### *St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.*

THE REV. SAMUEL FULLER, D. D., RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 24 ; adults 11 ; total 35. Confirmed 27. Communicants—added by removal 10, anew 22 ; lost by removal 11, by death 4 ; present number 147. Marriages 10. Burials 18. Sunday School—teachers 18 ; pupils 100. Missionary and other contributions—Christian Knowledge Society \$49 47 ; Domestic Missions \$11 20 ; Foreign Missions \$20 ; Parish objects \$52 65 ; Church at Quincy, Illinois, \$15 ; total \$148 32.

I omitted to state in my last Report, that the Ladies' Sewing Society had procured a set of Communion Plate, at a cost of more than \$100, and also a large Bible and two Prayer Books for the Desk. The Sunday School is taught, as heretofore, during the whole year, and greatly needs a separate building for its accommodation, where likewise Divine Service could be held on occasions during the cold season, when it is now thought inexpedient to open the Church. There are too few pews for the families attached to the congregation, which cannot be expected to increase until there are more sittings.

Of the Burials, during the year, *seven* were in the Parish of Milton, where Candidates for Orders, who are pursuing their theological studies under my care, act as Lay-readers to a congregation of about 100 people, and conduct a Sunday School of some 30 or 40 scholars. These students also assist the Rector of the Churches at Bantam Falls and Northfield, and thus supply, so far as lay-services can be a substitute, the place of two Clergymen. At Milton there have been two Baptisms and three persons confirmed.

### *St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls.*

(No REPORT.)

### *Trinity Church, Milton.*

(See Report of St. Michael's, Litchfield.)



*Trinity Church, Northfield.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. John's Church, New Milford.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.*

THE REV. A. OGDEN, RECTOR.

Families, 42. Baptisms—adults 4; children 30, (three of whom belong to the Parish of Bethlem) total 34. Communicants—lost by removal 2, by death 1; added anew 7; whole number 47. Confirmed 7. Burials 4. Marriages 1. Children belonging to the Sunday School 35. Contributions for objects without the Parish \$21.

*Christ Church, Sharon.*

THE REV. MARTIN MOODY, RECTOR.

Families—removed 1; added 2½; present number 41. Baptisms 1. Confirmed 2. Communicants—removed 3; added 7; present number 60. Marriages 2. Burials 3. Catechumens 12. Charitable contributions \$25.

With few exceptions, the Church has been opened for Divine Service on those days for which a service has been appointed by the Church.

*St. Andrew's Church, Kent.*

THE REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, MINISTER.

Number of families—removed 1; added 9; total 36. Baptisms—infants 4; adults 6; total 10. Confirmed 14. Communicants—removed 2; added 14; total 34. Marriages 1. Burials 2. Sunday School—teachers 10; catechumens 42.

During the past year, notwithstanding the numerous difficulties which depress this Church, it has been favored with many very encouraging inducements to persevere in well doing.—While there is nothing to warrant much exultation, yet there is

edge Society, through the Missionary Association of Litchfield County, \$33 ; Domestic Missions \$50 ; Foreign Missions—Constantinople \$25, Africa \$20, China \$5, total \$50 ; to Nashotah, a box of clothing, valued at \$40 61 ; to aid in building a free Church in the city of Cleveland \$10 ; to aid in building a Church in Quincy, Ill. \$32 55 ; to other objects extra-parochial \$8 ; collections on hand \$38 71 ; in all \$262 87. The canonical collection for infirm and aged Clergymen, will be made on Sunday next.

No Report is herein made of what is given at the Offertory, and of the collections made for the Sunday School, and other kindred objects. And yet it is but just to say, that in these things there has been no lack. For every needful thing within the Parish a generous provision has been made. And, while speaking on this point, I should do violence to my own feelings did I omit to mention the cheerful readiness with which the Parish has met the additional expense of supplying their Rector with the clerical aid which infirm health rendered necessary. May God repay them for this a hundred fold !

The foregoing statistics, taken with the above remarks, will show, with sufficient distinctness, the present condition of this Parish.

THE REV. TIMOTHY WILCOXSON—DEACON.

From the time of my Ordination, (the Feast of St. Matthias, 1848,) until Easter, I resided in the Parish of Christ Church, Derby ; and assisted the Rev. N. S. RICHARDSON, then Rector of that Parish. Since that time I have been employed as Assistant to the Rev. WILLIAM WATSON, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.

*Christ Church, Bethlem.*

THE REV. WILLIAM H. FRISBIE, RECTOR.

Families about 47. Baptisms—infants 14 ; adults 5 ; total 19. Confirmations 7. Communicants—added by removal 3, anew 6 ; lost by removal 4, by death 1 ; present number 64. Marriages 3. Burials 5. Sunday School and Bible Class about the same as last year. Charitable contributions—Christian

Knowledge Society \$12 ; Domestic Missions \$3 ; Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen \$2 42 ; total \$17 42.

The Rector also reports 1 marriage in the Parish at Harwinton, which is destitute of a Rector.

The Parish of Christ Church, Bethlem, it is believed, is in a healthy and prosperous condition.

It may be proper to state that three of the Baptisms reported above, were performed by the Rev. Mr. OGDEN in Bridgewater, at the request of the Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.

*Christ Church, Harwinton, and St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.*

THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, LATE RECTOR,

Respectfully reports to his Diocesan, that he resigned the charge of these Parishes at Easter last.

The number of Families was, at my resignation, about the same as given in my last year's Report. Harwinton 44 ; East Plymouth 58. Harwinton : Communicants—added by first communion 11 ; present number about 50. East Plymouth : Communicants—added by first communion 12 ; present number about 80. Burials—at Harwinton 1, and at East Plymouth 1. Marriages—at East Plymouth 2.

In addition to the above, I would report that the Church at East Plymouth, since my last Report, has been painted, and, very much for the better, has been altered and repaired.

For the remainder of Mr. GARDNER's Report, see Trumbull, Fairfield County.

*Union Church, Hitchcockville.*

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D, RECTOR.

This Parish has had services half the time during the past year, besides services on Thanksgiving day, Christmas day and Eve, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Friday evenings during Lent, and on several Sunday evenings. Number of Families 24. Baptism, 1 infant. Marriage 1. Burials 2. Communicants 20. Missionary and charitable contributions \$14 15.

It is expected that a few individuals will soon be confirmed by the Bishop.

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THE REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D, MISSIONARY.

Services were re-commenced in this place soon after the last Convention, and are regularly celebrated in a Hall fitted up for the purpose on every alternate Sunday, and on the evenings of the intermediate Sunday. They have been quite well attended the most of the time. The Church edifice, which has been delayed beyond our expectations, is now rapidly progressing, and will soon be ready for consecration. It is impossible to report how many Families will then look to the Church as their home. Baptism, 1 adult. Communicants 5.

*Winchester Center.*

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, 2D, MISSIONARY.

The Rev. Mr. ZELL, lately of Wolcottville, and the Missionary alternately held services in this place one evening a week during the Autumn; and the Missionary has held occasional services there since. Baptism, 1 infant. Communicants 4, two of whom have been received to the Communion for the first time during the year.

*Trinity Church, Wolcottville.*

THE REV. HENRY ZELL, LATE RECTOR.

Families 50. Baptisms—infants 2; adults 2. Confirmations 4. Communicants 20. Marriages 5. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 45; Library books 250 volumes.

I resigned the Rectorship of this Parish on Easter-Monday; and the above official acts were performed previous to that time.

*Tolland County.**St. Peter's Church, Hebron.*

THE REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, RECTOR.

Families about 50. Baptisms—infants 5; adults 2; total 7. Confirmed 5. Communicants—added 5; lost by removal 1;

present number 39. Marriages 2. Funerals 5. Missionary and charitable collections \$44 92, of which \$34 92 were raised by Monthly Offerings, and the remaining \$10 were a contribution made by individuals in the Parish, towards the erection of a Seabury Monument.

The house of worship has had its roof new shingled, and some parts of it covered with copper sheeting, at an expense of \$130.

The past year has likewise been rendered an era in the history of this Parish, by an effort which its members have made to provide for an enjoyment by future generations of the Divine means of grace that are dispensed within it, by an appropriation of a part of their pecuniary ability for that purpose. Though dating its origin from a period which carries it as far back almost as the time of the first introduction of Episcopacy into Connecticut, it is not until within comparatively a few years, that the entire services of a resident Minister have been devoted to it. But by the gift of \$1000 by one individual, and the addition to it by other members of the Parish of sundry smaller subscriptions, amounting in the aggregate to an equal sum of \$1000, together with a bequest of nearly \$1500 from the estate of the late JOSEPH MANN, of which the Church had previously come in possession, and the investment of the whole in a permanent fund, the Parish will be able, in connection with the annual assessments that are acquired from the sale of the seats, to command the undivided time and attention of a Clergyman; and thus has had its condition, in a *temporal* point of view, made better than it has ever been before. That the advantage which has been gained by it in this way may be blessed to the promotion, in a corresponding degree, of its *spiritual* advancement and prosperity, is all that is now needed, to place it upon a footing of stability and permanence.

*St. Clement's Church, Coventry.*

(No REPORT.)

# Abstract View

## OF THE

### STATE OF THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE.

(PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY.)

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| <b>FAMILIES</b> , in 73 Parishes, as by foregoing Reports,                                              | 6023        |
| “ in the other 32 Parishes of the Diocese, according to Reports of previous years,                      | } 1003      |
|                                                                                                         | —7026       |
| <b>BAPTISMS</b> , of <i>infants</i> , during the last year, in 82 Parishes, none reported in 23 others, | } 822       |
| “ of <i>adults</i> in 53 Parishes, none reported in 52 others,                                          | } 212       |
|                                                                                                         | —1034       |
| <b>CONFIRMATIONS</b> , during the last year, in 54 Parishes,                                            | 541         |
| <b>COMMUNICANTS</b> , added by removal in 34 Parishes,                                                  | 198         |
| “ added anew in 46 Parishes,                                                                            | 433         |
| “ lost by removal in 43 Parishes,                                                                       | 243         |
| “ lost by death in 51 Parishes,                                                                         | 146         |
| “ reported as added without distinction of manner in 16 Parishes,                                       | } 191       |
| “ present number, in 78 Parishes as                                                                     | } 7548      |
| “ “ by this year’s Reports,                                                                             |             |
| “ “ in other 27 Parishes by                                                                             | } 826       |
| “ Reports of former years,                                                                              |             |
|                                                                                                         | —8374       |
| <b>MARRIAGES</b> , during the last year, in 72 Parishes,                                                | 441         |
| <b>BURIALS</b> , during the last year, in 78 Parishes,                                                  | 957         |
| <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> , Teachers, in 40 Parishes,                                                        | 579         |
| “ “ Scholars, in 52 Parishes,                                                                           | 3951        |
| <b>CONTRIBUTIONS</b> , reported from 60 Parishes, \$12,641 97                                           |             |
| “ deduct, devoted by 14 Parishes to their own objects,                                                  | } 2,301 41  |
| “ for other than Parochial purposes,                                                                    | \$10,340 56 |

From the Bishop’s Address it further appears that there have been, during the last year,

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|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| <b>ORDINATIONS</b> , to the Diaconate,              | - - - 5 |
| “ the Priesthood,                                   | - - - 4 |
|                                                     | — 9     |
| <b>INSTITUTIONS</b> , of Clergy into Parishes,      | - - - 3 |
| <b>NEW CHURCHES</b> , consecrated,                  | - - - 1 |
| “ corner stones laid and in process of erection     | 7       |
| <b>DIMISSORY LETTERS</b> , given to Clergymen,      | - - - 9 |
| “ received,                                         | - - - 6 |
| <b>CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS</b> , present number, | 19      |

## APPENDIX B.

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*Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge in account with*  
**S. FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer. DR.**

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1847.

|          |    |      |      |                                                                         |         |
|----------|----|------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| June 30. | To | Cash | paid | for transmission of books &c., from<br>the late Treasurer,              | \$00 23 |
| Nov. 8.  | "  | "    |      | Thomas C. Butler, for tracts sent to<br>Rev. Jonathan Coe, 2d, Winsted, | 10 00   |

1848,

|          |     |   |   |                                                                                                        |          |
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| Feb. 2.  | "   | " | " | Rev. J. M. Willey, by an appro-<br>priation made Jan. 12, 1848,                                        | 62 00    |
|          | 3.  | " | " | Rev. F. B. Woodward, do.                                                                               | 50 00    |
|          |     | " | " | Rev. George W. Nichols, do.                                                                            | 50 00    |
|          | 4.  | " | " | Rev. Professor Jackson, do.                                                                            | 50 00    |
|          | 5.  | " | " | Rev. F. E. White, do.                                                                                  | 50 00    |
|          |     | " | " | Rev. A. B. Chapin, do.                                                                                 | 50 00    |
|          | 9.  | " | " | Rev. Professor Payne, do.                                                                              | 50 00    |
|          |     | " | " | Rev. H. V. Gardner, do.                                                                                | 25 00    |
|          | 10. | " | " | Rev. Horace Hills, do.                                                                                 | 50 00    |
|          | 16. | " | " | Rev. Abel Ogden, do.                                                                                   | 50 00    |
|          | 22. | " | " | Rev. David G. Tomlinson, do.                                                                           | 50 00    |
| Mar. 10. | "   | " | " | Rev. Martin Moody, do.                                                                                 | 50 00    |
|          | 28. | " | " | Rev. Henry Zell, do.                                                                                   | 50 00    |
| April 5. | "   | " | " | Rev. E. J. Ives, by Dr. Croswell,<br>for Missionary services in St.<br>Luke's, New Haven,              | 20 00    |
|          | 17. | " | " | Rev. J. D. Smith, by appropriation<br>of January 12th, 1848.                                           | 25 00    |
| May 23.  | "   | " | " | Rev. J. M. Willey, being contribu-<br>tion from St. James', New London,<br>and Christ Church, Norwich, | 100 00   |
| June 8.  | "   | " | " | Sundry postages,                                                                                       | 60       |
|          | "   | " | " | Balance to new account,                                                                                | 101 13   |
|          |     |   |   |                                                                                                        | \$893 96 |

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| 1847.     |                                               |     |       | <i>CR.</i> |
| June 14.  | By Cash from the late Treasurer,              | 927 | 47    |            |
|           | Less amount credited to the fund for          |     |       |            |
|           | Infirm Clergymen and Widows,                  | 417 | 06    |            |
|           |                                               |     | <hr/> | \$510 41   |
| Sept. 22. | By Cash from Christ Church, Hartford, through |     |       |            |
|           | the Rev. Dr. Burgess, Rector,                 |     |       | 60 70      |
| Dec. 8.   | " " from St. John's Church, Hartford,         |     |       |            |
|           | through J. M. Goodwin,                        |     |       | 29 10      |
| 1848.     |                                               |     |       |            |
| Feb. 2.   | " " from St. George's Church, Milford,        |     |       |            |
|           | through Rev. F. E. White,                     |     |       | 2 00       |
| 15.       | " " from Christ Church, Hartford, through     |     |       |            |
|           | Dudley Buck, Esq.,                            |     |       | 52 75      |
| April 5.  | " " annual appropriation of Trinity           |     |       |            |
|           | Church, N. Haven, thro' the Rector,           |     |       | 120 00     |
| May 8.    | " " from a friend to Domestic Missions,       |     |       |            |
|           | through the Rev. Dr. Jarvis,                  |     |       | 10 00      |
| 15.       | " " from Christ Chrch, Middletown, thro'      |     |       |            |
|           | the Rev. F. J. Goodwin, Rector,               |     |       | 9 00       |
|           | " " from St. James' Church, New London,       |     |       |            |
|           | special appropriation for Rev. J. M.          |     |       |            |
|           | Willey                                        |     |       | 50 00      |
| 23.       | " " from Christ Church, Norwich, special      |     |       |            |
|           | appropriation, for do.                        |     |       | 50 00      |
|           |                                               |     | <hr/> | \$893 96   |

1848.

June 8. By balance from old account, 101 13  
 Of this balance \$10 remain to be appropriated for Prayer Books, leaving \$91 13 for Missions.

The permanent fund of the Society is as follows: *Two* shares of Phoenix Bank Stock. *Four* shares of Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank Stock. On these dividends must be due; and will enter into the receipts of the ensuing year.

E. Excepted. New Haven, June 13th, 1848.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer.

*Litchfield County Clerical and Missionary Association in account with their Treasurer, DR.*

1847.

|           |                                                               |       |         |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| June 11.  | Due the Treasurer,                                            | \$18  | 63      |
| July 14.  | To Cash paid Rev. W. H. Frisbie, for his services at Winsted, | 49    | 43      |
| Aug. 24.  | " do. do.                                                     | 10    | 30      |
| Sept. 21. | " do. do.                                                     | 17    | 27      |
|           | (Amount carried up,)                                          | <hr/> | \$95 63 |



|           |                                                   |                      |          |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
|           |                                                   | (Amount brought up,) | \$95 63  |
| Sept. 21. | To Cash p'd Rev. J. Coe, for services at Winsted, |                      | 22 58    |
| 22.       | " do. do.                                         |                      | 17 43    |
| Oct. 27.  | " do. do.                                         |                      | 3 22     |
| Nov. 29.  | " do. do.                                         |                      | 13 68    |
| 1848.     |                                                   |                      |          |
| Feb. 17.  | " do. do.                                         |                      | 25 00    |
| March 16. | " do. do.                                         |                      | 37 00    |
| 23.       | " do. do.                                         |                      | 11 32    |
| April 25. | " do. do.                                         |                      | 10 00    |
| 26.       | " do. do.                                         |                      | 14 25    |
|           |                                                   |                      | <hr/>    |
|           |                                                   |                      | \$250 11 |

|           |                                         |        |          |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| 1847.     |                                         | CR.    |          |
| July 14.  | By Cash from St. Michael's, Litchfield, | \$5 00 |          |
|           | " Christ Church, N Canaan,              | 5 00   |          |
|           | " St. Mark's, Bridgewater,              | 4 50   |          |
|           | " St. John's, Salisbury,                | 4 13   |          |
|           | " St. Paul's, Bantam Falls,             | 4 00   |          |
|           | " St. Peter's, Plymouth,                | 33 00  |          |
| Aug. 24.  | " St. Andrew's, N. Preston,             | 10 30  |          |
| Sept. 9.  | " St. Michael's, Litchfield,            | 14 00  |          |
| 21.       | " Union Church, Hitchcocksville,        | 4 00   |          |
|           | " Christ Church, Roxbury,               | 4 00   |          |
|           | " Trinity Church, Milton,               | 5 90   |          |
|           | " St. Andrew's, Kent,                   | 6 75   |          |
|           | " St. Matthew's, East Plymouth,         | 6 00   |          |
|           | " Christ Church, Harwinton,             | 8 00   |          |
|           | " Trinity Parish, Wolcottville,         | 3 63   |          |
|           | " St. Michael's, Litchfield,            | 17 43  |          |
| Oct 27.   | " Trinity Parish, Wolcottville,         | 3 22   |          |
| Nov. 1.   | " Christ Church, Watertown,             | 13 00  |          |
| 7.        | " Christ Church, Bethlem,               | 68     |          |
| 1848.     |                                         |        |          |
| Jan. 13.  | " St. Mark's, Bridgewater,              | 4 00   |          |
| 14.       | " Trinity Church, Northfield,           | 12 00  |          |
| 26.       | " Christ Church, Sharon,                | 6 00   |          |
| Feb. 16.  | " St. John's, Salisbury,                | 5 00   |          |
| Mar. 16.  | " St. John's, New Milford,              | 30 00  |          |
|           | " St. Michael's, Litchfield,            | 7 00   |          |
| 23.       | " Christ Church, Bethlem,               | 11 32  |          |
| April 25. | " Christ Church, Roxbury,               | 10 00  |          |
| 26.       | " St. John's, Washington,               | 7 25   |          |
|           | " St. Mark's, Bridgewater,              | 5 00   |          |
|           |                                         | <hr/>  |          |
|           |                                         |        | \$250 11 |

WM. H. FRISBIE, *Treasurer,*  
*Litchfield Co. Cler. and Miss. Association.*

## APPENDIX C.

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*Infirm Clergy and Widows' Fund in account with* **SAMUEL FARMAR**  
**JARVIS, Treasurer.** *DR.*

1847.

|          |                                                                  |         |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| June 10. | To Cash paid Rev. D. P. Sanford, from Waterbury,                 | \$21 00 |
|          | “ do. by Dr. Holcomb, per order,                                 | 15 00   |
|          | (these two sums paid in by late Treasurer.)                      |         |
| Aug. 11. | “ Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, by order of the Board of August 4, 1847, | 50 00   |
|          | “ Loaned at 6 per cent., payable on demand,                      | 300 00  |

1848.

|         |                                   |          |
|---------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| June 8. | “ Balance in hand to new account, | 105 18   |
|         |                                   | \$491 18 |

1847.

*CR.*

|          |                                                         |          |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| June 10. | By Cash received from Waterbury,                        | \$21 00  |
|          | “ [considered as] rec'd from Dr. Holcomb,               | 15 00    |
|          | “ from St. John's Church, Hartford, paid July 14, 1846, | 30 00    |
| Jund 8.  | “ rec'd from St. John's Church, Hartford,               | 21 75    |
|          | “ from St. Gabriel's Windsor,                           | 2 19     |
| 10.      | “ from 34 Parishes at Convention, as per Journal p. 84, | 363 12   |
| 30.      | “ from Christ Church, Hartford,                         | 38 12    |
|          |                                                         | \$491 18 |

1848.

*CR.*

|         |                              |          |
|---------|------------------------------|----------|
| June 8. | By balance from old account, | \$105 18 |
|---------|------------------------------|----------|

E. Excepted, New Haven, June 13, 1848.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

*Contributions of Parishes made at the Convention of 1848, to the  
Christian Knowledge Society, and to the Infirm Clergy's Fund.*

|                                        | C. K. S. | I. C. F. |
|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| From St. Peter's Church, Oxford,       | \$2 76   | \$2 25   |
| " Christ " Quakers' Farms, ,           | 5 00     | 3 37     |
| " St. James' " Danbury,                | 2 56     | 7 50     |
| " Trinity " Portland,                  | 20 00    |          |
| " Christ " Greenwich,                  | 10 00    | 5 00     |
| " St. Peter's " Monroe,                | 3 00     | 3 00     |
| " St. Thomas' " Bethel,                | 3 00     | 3 00     |
| " Christ " Guilford,                   | 5 00     | 4 34     |
| " St. Mark's " Bridgewater,            | 2 00     | 2 75     |
| " St. Paul's " Norwalk,                | 29 91    | 22 71    |
| " St. Mark's " New Canaan,             | 5 37     | 5 18     |
| " St. James' " Poquetanock,            | 7 00     | 8 06     |
| " St. Mark's " New Britain,            | 5 00     |          |
| " St. James' " Westville,              | 4 00     |          |
| " St. John's " Stamford,               | 47 12    |          |
| " do. paid Mr. Belknap, June 30, 1847, |          | 10 00    |
| " St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,        | 5 00     | 2 00     |
| " Trinity " Branford,                  | 5 00     | 5 00     |
| " Christ " Middle Haddam,              | 6 62     |          |
| " Zion " North Branford,               | 3 00     |          |
| " St. James' " Fair Haven,             | 5 00     | 6 14     |
| " St. Andrew's " Northford,            | 5 00     |          |
| " " Weston,                            | 1 75     | 1 75     |
| " Christ " Stratford,                  | 9 13     | 13 43    |
| " Christ " Norwich, for Stonington,    | 30 00    |          |
| " All Saints' " Wolcott,               | 11 50    |          |
| " St. Paul's " Huntington,             | 5 00     |          |
| " St. John's " Waterbury,              | 50 00    | 27 56    |
| " St. James' " Birmingham,             | 6 00     | 5 00     |
| " Christ " West Haven,                 | 2 00     | 2 00     |
| " St. Stephen's " Ridgefield,          | 4 25     | 5 00     |
| " St. John's " North Guilford,         | 2 00     |          |
| " Union " Killingworth,                | 1 00     |          |
| " St. Paul's " New Haven,              | 112 00   |          |
| " do. paid Mr. Belknap, Aug. 5, 1847,  |          | 50 00    |
| " St. John's Church, Bridgeport,       | 16 00    | 10 00    |
| " St. Luke's " Glastenbury,            | 10 38    |          |
| " Grace " Saybrook,                    | 5 00     |          |
| " Trinity " Fairfield,                 | 30 00    | 16 00    |
| " St. Paul's " Brookfield,             | 5 00     | 5 00     |
| " Christ " East Haven, (new.)          | 3 00     | 1 86     |
| " Christ " Sharon,                     | "        | 4 00     |
| (Amount carried up,)                   | \$485 35 | \$231 90 |

|                                                                                         | C. K. S.        | I. C. F.        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| (Amount brought up,)                                                                    | \$485 35        | \$231 90        |
| " Grace Church, Trumbull,                                                               |                 | 3 66            |
| " Christ " do. (old).                                                                   |                 | 5 72            |
| " Christ " Watertown,                                                                   |                 | 5 00            |
| " Trinity " Newtown,                                                                    |                 | 8 00            |
| " Christ " Bethlem,                                                                     |                 | 2 42            |
| " Christ " Middletown,                                                                  |                 | 14 00           |
| " Trinity " Brooklyn,                                                                   |                 | 13 62           |
| " St. Andrew's " Meriden,                                                               |                 | 5 00            |
| " St. James' " New London,                                                              |                 | 28 15           |
| do. added by a parishioner, and sent after the<br>Convention by Rev. Mr. Hallam,        |                 | 10 00           |
| " Union Church, Hitchcockville,                                                         |                 | 2 00            |
| " St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, for Rev. Mr.<br>Chapin, \$3 37, less, postage 10 cents, |                 | 3 27            |
| St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth paid Mr.<br>Belknap, Aug. 5, 1847,                       |                 | 1 50            |
| " Christ Church, Harwinton, paid Mr. Bel-<br>knap, Aug. 5, 1847,                        |                 | 2 12            |
| " St. George's Church, Milford, paid Mr. Bel-<br>knap, Feb. 5, 1848,                    |                 | 1 50            |
| " Christ Church, Hartford, pd. do. June 12, '48,                                        |                 | 24 00           |
| " St. John's do. do. paid do. do.                                                       |                 | 19 50           |
| " Rev. Dr. N. S. Wheaton, paid do. do.                                                  |                 | 1 00            |
| " Mrs. Burr, for Missions, \$30, Tracts \$5,                                            | 35 00           |                 |
|                                                                                         | <u>\$520 35</u> | <u>\$382 36</u> |

### RECAPITULATION.

For the Christain Knowledge Society—from 39

Parishes, - - - - \$485 35

Mrs. Burr, by the Bishop, - - 35 00

\$520 35

For Infirm Clergymen's Fund—from 42 Par-

ishes, - - - - \$371 36

An individual, by Mr. Hallam, - - 10 00

Rev. Dr. Wheaton, - - - - 1 00

382 36

Total, \$902 71

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

# APPENDIX D.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, in  
account with T. BELKNAP, Treasurer. CR.*

1847.

|          |                                   |          |
|----------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| June 11. | By Cash of Wm. T. Lee, Treasurer, | \$331 69 |
| 12.      | " of Trinity Church, Bristol,     | 3 00     |

\$334 69

DR.

1847.

|          |                                                             |        |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| June 22. | To cash paid H. S. Parsons, for Stationery,                 | 1 93   |
| July 12. | " " Wm. Faxon, printing Journal,                            | 153 30 |
| Aug. 13. | " " Rev. Wm. Payne, transcribing<br>Journals for two years, | 6 00   |
| Gct. 27. | " " General Convention,                                     | 57 00  |

1848.

|          |                            |        |
|----------|----------------------------|--------|
| June 13. | To balance to new account, | 116 46 |
|----------|----------------------------|--------|

\$334 69

1848.

|                           |                              |        |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| June 13.                  | By balance (in new account), | 116 46 |
| Hartford, June 13th 1848. |                              |        |

T. BELKNAP, *Treasurer of Convention.*

*The following Parishes have paid their Assessment to the Conven-  
tion Fund for 1848.*

|                                |   |   |   |        |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--------|
| St. Peter's Church, Oxford,    | - | - | - | \$1 87 |
| Christ Church, Quakers' Farms, | - | - | - | 1 87   |
| Christ Church, Pomfret,        | - | - | - | 5 00   |
| St. James' Church, Danbury,    | - | - | - | 3 75   |
| Trinity Church, Portland,      | - | - | - | 5 25   |
| Christ Church, Greenwich,      | - | - | - | 3 75   |

(Amount carried up,)

\$21 49

| (Amount brought up,)                          |   |   | \$21 49  |
|-----------------------------------------------|---|---|----------|
| St. Paul's Church, Wallingford,               | - | - | 3 75     |
| St. John's Church, Waterbury,                 | - | - | 5 62     |
| St. Thomas' Church, Bethel,                   | - | - | 3 75     |
| Trinity Church, Newtown,                      | - | - | 4 87     |
| Christ Church, Guilford,                      | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Watertown,                     | - | - | 4 50     |
| St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,               | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. Peter's Church, Munroe,                   | - | - | 3 00     |
| Christ Church, Stratford,                     | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Trumbull,                      | - | - | 1 50     |
| St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,                   | - | - | 4 50     |
| St. James' Church, Poquetannock,              | - | - | 3 46     |
| St. Peter's Church, Plymouth,                 | - | - | 4 87     |
| St. James' Church, Westville,                 | - | - | 2 25     |
| Christ Church, West Port,                     | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Bethlehem,                     | - | - | 2 25     |
| Trinity Church, Bristol,                      | - | - | 3 00     |
| St. John's Church, Stamford,                  | - | - | 6 00     |
| St. Andrew's Church, New Preston,             | - | - | 1 87     |
| St. Peter's Church, Cheshire,                 | - | - | 3 00     |
| Grace Church, Trumbull,                       | - | - | 1 50     |
| Trinity Church, Branford,                     | - | - | 3 00     |
| Trinity Church, Brooklyn,                     | - | - | 2 25     |
| Zion Church, North Branford,                  | - | - | 0 50     |
| St. James' Church, Fair Haven,                | - | - | 4 50     |
| St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield,             | - | - | 3 75     |
| St. Andrew's Church, Northford,               | - | - | 3 37     |
| St. Andrew's Church, Meriden,                 | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, Reading,                       | - | i | 2 43     |
| St. John's Church, North Guilford,            | - | - | 1 25     |
| St. Paul's Church, Windham,                   | - | - | 1 50     |
| Union Church, Killingworth,                   | - | - | 0 50     |
| —— Church, Weston,                            | - | - | 0 50     |
| Union Church, Hitchcocksville,                | - | - | 1 12     |
| Christ Church, Norwich,                       | - | - | 7 50     |
| All Saints' Church, Wolcott,                  | - | - | 2 00     |
| Christ Church, Hartford.                      | - | - | 11 25    |
| Trinity Church, Fairfield,                    | - | - | 6 00     |
| Grace Church, Hamden,                         | - | - | 3 00     |
| St. John's Church, Essex,                     | - | - | 2 00     |
| St. James' Church, New London,                | - | - | 5 62     |
| St. James' Church, Birmingham,                | - | - | 6 00     |
| St. John's Church, Hartford,                  | - | - | 7 50     |
| Christ Church, Middletown,                    | - | - | 5 62     |
| Christ Church, West Haven,                    | - | - | 1 00     |
| St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield, (old, 1847) | - | - | 3 75     |
| (Amount carried up,)                          |   |   | \$183 69 |

| (Amount brought forward,)        |   |   | \$183 69 |
|----------------------------------|---|---|----------|
| St. Paul's Church, New Haven,    | - | - | 12 00    |
| St. John's Church, Bridgeport,   | - | - | 7 50     |
| St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury,  | - | - | 3 75     |
| St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck, | - | - | 3 75     |
| Grace Church, Saybrook,          | - | - | 3 37     |
| St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,   | - | - | 3 75     |
| Christ Church, East Haven, (old) | - | - | 1 87     |
| Christ Church do.                | - | - | 1 88     |
| Grace Church, Broad Brook,       | - | - | 3 75     |
| Trinity Church, New Haven,       | - | - | 18 00    |
| St. Peter's Church, Hebron,      | - | - | 2 25     |
| St. John's Church, Salisbury,    | - | - | 3 00     |
|                                  |   |   | <hr/>    |
|                                  |   |   | \$248 46 |

*The following Parishes have not paid into the Convention Fund for current year.*

|                 |                      |               |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Newtown,        | Bantam Falls,        | New Canaan,   |
| Humphreysville, | Coventry,            | New Milford,  |
| Northfield,     | E. Windsor, (W.H.P.) | North Canaan, |
| Milford,        | East Haddam,         | Simsbury,     |
| Roxbury,        | Granby,              | Salem,        |
| East Plymouth,  | Haddam,              | Sharon,       |
| New Britain,    | Kent,                | Windsor,      |
| Harwinton,      | Litchfield,          | Woodbridge,   |
| North Haven,    | Manchester,          | Wilton,       |
| Derby,          | Middlebury,          | Washington,   |
| Middle Haddam   | Milton,              | Wolcottville, |
| Woodbury,       | Newtown, (Zoar)      |               |

# APPENDIX E.

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## CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEW HAVEN, June 15, 1848.

The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting.

The Minutes of its last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary presented the Report of the Board of Education, which was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's Report was also presented, read and accepted.

The following Officers were then nominated and chosen for the ensuing year, viz :

### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

|                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| THE REV. SILAS TOTTEN, D. D. | DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.       |
| THE REV. PETER S. CHAUNCEY.  | ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq. |
| THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.         | DENISON MORGAN, Esq.    |
| WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.         |                         |

*Secretary*, THE REV. A. C. COXE.

*Treasurer*, JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.

On motion it was

*Resolved*, That the Board of Education is hereby authorized to make the regulation with regard to interest which they propose in their Report,

On motion, adjourned.

A. C. COXE, *Secretary*.

### Report.

The BOARD OF EDUCATION respectfully reports—

That the number of the Society's beneficiaries is nine. Three of the former beneficiaries have passed from its care, during the past year, and only one addition has been made.

Although very promising resolutions were unanimously passed at the last anniversary, the Board are sorry to report that they



have not been generally supported by corresponding efforts, and that consequently the financial condition of the Society is still unsatisfactory. But for the timely repayments of considerable sums, by two former beneficiaries, the Board would have been greatly embarrassed, and the Society would have been necessarily called upon to adopt more efficient measures, or to suspend its operations.

In connection with the repayments referred to, the Board has had its attention directed to the present rule of the Society, with regard to the charging of interest. The rule requires that interest upon the notes of beneficiaries should begin to be charged, after three years from the time of the beneficiary's leaving Trinity College. But as it is ordinarily three years before such beneficiary can be admitted to Holy Orders, and a year or two more before the payment of his indebtedness can reasonably be expected, the interest becomes burdensome before the notes can be taken up, and acts as a discouragement to many, who are making every effort to discharge their obligations to the Society. The practical working of the rule, the Board is persuaded, is not good, either for the beneficiaries, or for the Society : and they therefore recommend an extension of the time to five years. In their opinion, this regulation would stimulate exertion, instead of depressing it. If their recommendation should be adopted, they would have it understood to apply only to notes that shall be made hereafter : as it would seem unfair to remit the payment of interest to persons still indebted, without refunding what others have paid, in cases otherwise equal.

The Board must again call attention to the great importance of carefulness on the part of the Reverend Clergy, as to the persons recommended to the Society's care. Mediocrity of talent, and bare respectability in scholarship, unless greatly counterbalanced by religious principle, and other qualifications for the Holy Ministry, should hardly entitle a young man to the benefit of its funds. It is painful to enforce the remark, by mentioning the fact, that after being carried through their course, at no small expense, beneficiaries have, in two or three instances, been found unmeet for further advancement towards the Ministry ; and some have been dropped at an early stage, whose debts to the Society will probably never be cancelled. Repayment generally comes from those who are an honor to its care, and a blessing to the

Church. What is spent on the unworthy, is not often refunded; and it is not meet that the money, which good men repay by the sweat of their brow, should be squandered on persons, from whom little can be reasonably expected, whether in the shape of pecuniary repayment, or in the richer returns of zeal and usefulness in the harvest of the Lord.

By order of the Board,

A. C. COXE, Secretary.

Hartford, June 12, 1834.

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*Church Scholarship Society, in account with JAMES M. GOODWIN,*  
*Treasurer. DR.*

1847.

|           |                                                                                       |            |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|           | To sundry postages during the year,                                                   | \$00 35    |
| Dec. 12.  | " Cash paid, interest on J. M. Goodwin's<br>note for \$260, discounted,               | 2 69       |
| 1848.     |                                                                                       |            |
| Feb. 10.  | " " Rev. C. W. Everest's do. \$147 52,                                                | 2 39       |
|           | " " J. M. Goodwin's note,                                                             | 260 00     |
| March 21. | " " Interest on J. M. Goodwin's<br>note for \$200, payable in 90<br>days, discounted, | 3 10       |
| June 6.   | " " J. M. Goodwin, borrowed of<br>him May 12, 1847,                                   | 225 00     |
|           | " " do. do. Feb. 10, 1848,                                                            | 114 87     |
|           | " " him, interest on the above,                                                       | 15 50      |
|           | " " loaned to beneficiaries during<br>the past year,                                  | 755 00     |
|           | " " on hand, carried to new account,                                                  | 141 65     |
|           |                                                                                       | <hr/>      |
|           |                                                                                       | \$1,520 55 |
|           |                                                                                       | <hr/>      |

1847.

CR.

|         |                                    |         |
|---------|------------------------------------|---------|
| June 9. | By Cash on hand,                   | \$90 90 |
| 11.     | " of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth, | 26 00   |
|         | " St. James' Church, Derby,        | 2 36    |
|         | " St. John's Church, Bridgeport,   | 10 00   |
| 12.     | " Trinity Church, Fairfield;       | 7 00    |
| July 21 | " St. Paul's Church, Norwalk,      | 22 06   |
| Aug. 4. | " St. John's Church, Waterbury,    | 50 00   |
|         | " St. James' Church, Derby,        | 11 43   |
|         |                                    | <hr/>   |

(Amount carried up,)

\$219 75

|          |                  |                                                     |            |
|----------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------|
|          |                  | (Amount brought up,)                                | \$219 75   |
| 6.       | "                | St. Paul's Church, New Haven,                       | 50 00      |
| 28.      | "                | Christ Church, Hartford,                            | 33 12      |
| Sept. 2. | "                | Christ Church, Guilford,                            | 7 00       |
| 20.      | "                | St. John's Church, Hartford,                        | 28 90      |
|          | "                | St. Paul's Church, Brookfield,                      | 7 00       |
| 25.      | "                | Rev. Sheldon Davis repaid,                          | 50 00      |
| Oct. 20. | "                | Trinity Church, Fairfield,                          | 7 00       |
|          | "                | St. Mark's Church, Wilton,                          | 5 00       |
| Dec. 3.  | "                | Christ Church, Hartford,                            | 56 70      |
|          | "                | Rev. William B. Ashley, repaid,                     | 25 00      |
|          | "                | on Treasurer's Note, discounted at<br>Phoenix Bank, | 260 00     |
| 30.      | "                | of Grace Church, Broad Brook,                       | 1 69       |
|          | "                | Rev. C. W. Everest, repaid,                         | 105 00     |
| 1848.    | "                | Interest on do.                                     | 42 52      |
| Feb. 3.  | "                | St. George's Church, Milford,                       | 1 00       |
| 10.      | "                | J. M. Goodwin borrowed,                             | 114 87     |
| Mar. 21. | "                | do. note discounted Px. Bank,                       | 200 00     |
| April 1. | "                | Rev. Israel Foot, repaid,                           | 30 00      |
|          | "                | Interest of do.                                     | 5 00       |
| April 5. | "                | Cash of Trinity Church, Fairfield,                  | 8 00       |
| 12.      | "                | St. James' " New London,                            | 25 00      |
| May 15.  | "                | Christ " Hartford,                                  | 38 00      |
| 17.      | "                | Rev. Wm. Long, repaid,                              | 200 00     |
|          |                  |                                                     | <hr/>      |
|          |                  |                                                     | \$1,520 55 |
| 1848.    |                  |                                                     | <hr/>      |
| June 6.  | By Cash on hand, |                                                     | \$141 65   |

Errors Excepted. Hartford, June, 6th, 1848.

J. M. GOODWIN, Treasurer.

Hartford, June 1848. We have examined the above account and find it correct.

SILAS TOTTEN, }  
SAMUEL TUDOR, } *Auditors.*

| <i>DR.</i>        |            | BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 6, 1848. | <i>CR.</i>  |
|-------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Expense account,  | \$1,164 27 | Bills Payable,               | \$200 00    |
| William Barlow,   | 180 87     | Donations and Sub-           |             |
| Profit and loss,  | 639 33     | scriptions,                  | 13,041 39   |
| Bills Receivable, | 11,479 71  | Interest account,            | 364 45      |
| Cash,             | 141 65     |                              |             |
|                   |            |                              | <hr/>       |
|                   |            | \$13,605 83                  | \$13,605 83 |
|                   |            | <hr/>                        | <hr/>       |

## SYNOPSIS OF THE ABOVE ACCOUNT.

|                        |                   |                          |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Paid to Beneficiaries, | \$755 00          | Cash on hand,            | 90 90             |
| “ Interest,            | 23 68             | Donation and Subscrip-   |                   |
| “ Expenses,            | 35                | tions,                   | 397 26            |
| “ Cash borrowed,       | 599 87            | Cash borrowed,           | 574 87            |
| Cash on hand,          | 141 65            | Repaid by Beneficiaries, | 410 00            |
|                        |                   | Interest collected,      | 47 52             |
|                        | <u>\$1,520 55</u> |                          | <u>\$1,520 55</u> |

**CONSTITUTION**  
**OF THE**  
**PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,**  
**IN THE**  
**Diocese of Connecticut.**

**AS AMENDED IN CONVENTION, OCTOBER, 1836, JUNE, 1840, AND  
JUNE, 1847.**

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**ARTICLE 1.** The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ART. 2.** There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

**ART 3.** Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention: and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

**ART. 4.** The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

**ART. 5.** The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

**ART. 6.** The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in union with this Convention; ministers employed as missionaries under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this Diocese, constituted

by civil or ecclesiastical authority ; and ministers whose age and infirmities prevent from exercising the clerical functions ; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese which shall have been received into Union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention, by one delegate ; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two ; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Rector, Wardens, or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business ; but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body ; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide ; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention ; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or Instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese ; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as, agreeably to their own rules or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Con-

vention shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

ART. 11. A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure ; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention ; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

ART. 12. When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New-Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting ; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

ART. 13. The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner :—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office ; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay-Delegates ; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice ; provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present ; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ART. 14. Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot ; and the delegates thus appointed, and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention ; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

ART. 15. No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

ART. 16. This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two thirds of the members present ; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the Journals of the Convention.

hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

**CANON III.**—*Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitutions and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

**CANON IV.**—*Of the manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut :*

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H., of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided. [Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being : five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case ; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defence on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall



choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit ; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted ; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial ; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty* or *not guilty*, according to the evidence ; and if guilty, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court ; and an attested copy of this record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications ; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial ; stating his grounds for such decision ; or he may approve the judgment ; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may in his opinion require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

**CANON V.**—*Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them.* (1826.)

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese, without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman, having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

**CANON VI.**—*Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee.* (1826.)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting.—The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present—the names

of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the Committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the Journals of the Convention, and published therewith.

**CANON VII.—***Concerning Parochial Collections.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

**CANON VIII.—***For the Regulation and Maintenance of Cures.*  
(1828.)

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes in this State which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

**CANON IX.—***Concerning Annual Parish Meetings.* (1830.)

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed, for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting; which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

**CANON X.—**(1838.)

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence to the Bishop.

**CANON XI.—***Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention, to prepare

an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitution and Canons ; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted ; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

**CANON XII.—*Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen.* (1830.)**

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman ; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be attained.

**CANON XIII.—*Providing for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen.* (1846—altered 1847.)**

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to make a collection, either on Whitsunday or Trinity Sunday, in each year, to be applied under the direction of the Bishop and Standing Committee, according to circumstances, and as there may seem to be an existing necessity, for the relief of aged or infirm clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of an adequate and comfortable support ; and also of destitute widows of Clergymen belonging to this Diocese.

In appropriations for Clergymen, special reference shall be had to cases in which it may appear that the necessity has resulted, in any measure, from the zealous endeavours of the individual to make himself useful in the cause of his Divine Master.

**LIST OF THE CLERGY**  
**OF THE**  
**DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN**  
**THE CONVENTION, 1848.**

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**The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D., Bishop; residing at Hartford.**

**The Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, Rector of St. James', Birmingham.**

“ **Wm. Atwill, Minister of St. Andrew's, Kent, and Christ Church, Canaan.**

“ **Pierre T. Babbit, Rector of St. Paul's, Woodbury.**

“ **David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's, North Guilford.**

“ **Henry H. Bates, Rector of St. John's, Warehouse Point.**

“ **E. E. Beardsley, Rector of St. Thomas', New Haven.**

“ **Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.**

“ **Joshua D. Berry, Minister of St. Paul's, Bantam Falls, and Trinity Church, Northfield.**

“ **John H. Betts, Minister of St. Peter's, Monroe.**

“ **Joseph Brewster, Rector of St. Paul's, Windham.**

“ **Wm. White Bronson, Rector of St. James', Danbury.**

“ **Hilliard Bryant, Rector of St. Paul's, Wallingford.**

“ **Peter S. Chauncey, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.**

“ **Daniel Burhans, D. D., residing at Poughkeepsie.**

“ **Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn,**

“ **James Dixon Carder, Rector of St. George's, Milford.**

“ **Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven.**

“ **Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's, Waterbury,**

“ **Francis J. Clerc, Minister of Grace Church, Broad-Brook.**

“ **Jouathan Coe, 2d, Rector of Union Church, Hitchcocksville, and Missionary at Winsted.**

“ **Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's, Bridgeport.**

“ **Samuel Cooke, Rector of St. Paul's, New Haven.**

“ **Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fairfield.**

**The Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of St. John's, Essex.**

- " **A. Cleveland Coxe, Rector of St. John's, Hartford.**
- " **Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.**
- " **Giles H. Deshon, Rector of St. Luke's, Glastenbury.**
- " **Henry Edwards, Rector of Christ Church, East Haven.**
- " **Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.**
- " **Charles W. Everest, Minister of Grace Church, Hamden.**
- " **Charles R. Fisher, Missionary at Manchester Mills.**
- " **Henry Fitch, Rector of St. Andrew's, Northford.**
- " **Geo. L. Foote, Rector of Christ Church, Roxbury, and Minister of Church of the Resurrection, Southbury.**
- " **Wm. H. Frisbie, Rector of Christ Church, Bethlehem.**
- " **Samuel Fuller, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's, Litchfield.**
- " **Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Stephen's, East Haddam.**
- " **Frederick J. Goodwin, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.**
- " **Henry V. Gardner, Rector of Christ Church, Tashua, and Grace Church, Long Hill.**
- " **John M. Guion, Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.**
- " **Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James', New London.**
- " **Solomon G. Hitchcock, Rector of St. Peter's, Hebron.**
- " **Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.**
- " **Abner Jackson, Professor in Trinity College, and Minister of St. Mark's, New Britain.**
- " **S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam, residing at Middletown.**
- " **William Jarvis, residing at Portland.**
- " **Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.**
- " **Isaac Jones, residing at Litchfield.**
- " **James Mackay, Rector of St. Michael's, Naugatuck.**
- " **William Long, Minister of St. Andrew's, New Preston, and St. John's, Washington.**
- " **Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.**
- " **Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Norwalk.**
- " **J. D. Mead, residing at Norwalk.**
- " **Frederick Miller, Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.**
- " **Martin Moody, Rector of Christ Church, Sharon.**
- " **Wm. F. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.**
- " **Cyrus Munson, Rector of St. Andrew's, Meriden.**
- " **Henry D. Noble, Rector of St. Paul's, Brookfield.**
- " **Joseph H. Nichols, Rector of St. Peter's, Cheshire.**
- " **G. Huntington Nichols, Rector of St. John's, Salisbury.**
- " **Abel Ogden, Rector of St. Mark's, Bridgewater.**

- The Rev. Henry Olmstead, Rector of St. Stephen's, Ridgefield.**
- " **Seth B. Paddock, Principal Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.**
- " **Roswell Park, Rector of Christ Church, Pomfret.**
- " **William Payne, Assistant Professor of Ancient Languages, Trinity College.**
- " **T. C. Pitkin, Associate Rector Trinity Church, New Haven.**
- " **John Purves, Rector of St. Thomas', Bethel.**
- " **Charles S. Putnam, Rector of Christ Church, Derby.**
- " **Henry F. Roberts, Rector of St. James', Poquetanock.**
- " **Joseph Scott, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.**
- " **David H. Short, Rector of St. Mark's, New Canaan.**
- " **John D. Smith, Minister of All Saints', Wolcott.**
- " **David P. Sanford, Rector of St. Peter's, Oxford, and Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.**
- " **S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.**
- " **A. S. Todd, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Stamford.**
- " **Charles Todd, Rector of St. Paul's, Huntington.**
- " **David G. Tomlinson, Minister of the Church at Weston.**
- " **Joseph P. Taylor, Minister of Christ Church, Reading.**
- " **Silas Totten, D. D., President of Trinity College.**
- " **William E. Vibbert, Rector of St. James', Fair Haven.**
- " **Ransom Warner, Rector of St. Andrew's, Simsbury.**
- " **William Watson, Rector of St. Peter's, Plymouth.**
- " **Timothy Wilcoxson, Assistant Minister of St. Peter's, Plymouth.**
- " **Junius M. Willey, Minister of Calvary Church, Stonington.**
- " **Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.**
- " **Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.**
- " **Henry Zell, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.**
- Total, 87.**

**CLERGYMEN NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS, 1848.**

|                              |                                        |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>The Rev. A. B. Beach,</b> | <b>The Rev. S. Servilius Stocking,</b> |
| “ B. Benham,                 | “ N. S. Richardson,                    |
| “ P. G. Clark,               | “ E. J. Ives,                          |
| “ John Morgan,               | “ G. S. White,                         |
| “ A. Nichols,                | “ M. Wilcox,                           |
| “ G. W. Nichols,             | “ J. J. Brandigee.                     |
| “ B. G. Noble,               | <b>Total, 14.</b>                      |
| “ A. Spooner,                |                                        |

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.**

|                                     |                                 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>James G. Blair, A. B.</b>        | <b>John W. Birchmore, A. B.</b> |
| <b>James C. French, A. B.</b>       | <b>John A. Paddock, A. B.</b>   |
| <b>Robert C. Rogers, A. B.</b>      | <b>Collis J. Potter.</b>        |
| <b>Frederick D. Harriman, A. B.</b> | <b>Edward O. Flagg.</b>         |
| <b>Gilbert B. Hayden.</b>           | <b>John C. Covell, A. B.</b>    |
| <b>William O. Jarvis.</b>           | <b>Samuel Benedict, A. B.</b>   |
| <b>Richard Green.</b>               | <b>William B. Benton.</b>       |
| <b>DeWitt C. Loop, A. B.</b>        | <b>Edward Jessup, A. B.</b>     |
| <b>Nathan Merrill, A. B.</b>        | <b>Seth S. Chapin.</b>          |
| <b>Ruel H. Tuttle, A. B.</b>        | <b>Total, 19.</b>               |

## LIST OF PARISHES

IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT,

*With their respective Delegates in the Convention of 1848.*

## HARTFORD COUNTY.

**Hartford,** { Christ Church, Philip Ripley, Denison Morgan.  
St. John's Church, Wm. T. Lee, Thomas Belknap.  
St. James' Parish, (West Hartford.)

**Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church, James T. Pratt.**

**Simsbury, St. Andrew's Church.**

## Granby, St. Peter's Church.

**East Windsor,** { (Warehouse Point,) St. John's Church.  
(Broad Brook,) Grace Church, Wm. H. Cook,  
Henry A. Bliss\*.

**Bristol, Trinity Church, Harold J. Potter.**

## New Britain, St. Mark's Church.

## Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

## Manchester, St. Mary's Parish.

## Unionville, Christ Church,

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

## Brooklyn, Trinity Church.

**Pomfret, Christ Church, Chauncey Hammett\*.**

**Windham, St. Paul's Church, George S. Catlin, Giles Taintor.**

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY.**

**Middletown, Christ Church, Charles H. Pelton.**

**Portland, Trinity Church, Daniel Russell, Joseph Hall.\***

**Middle Haddam, Christ Church, Jeremiah H. Taylor.\***

## East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.

Saybrook, { Grace Church,  
St. John's (Essex,) Cornelius R. Doane.

## North Killingworth, Union Church.

## Haddam, Church of the Holy Trinity.

\*Those gentlemen to whose names an *asterisk* is attached were not present at any of the sessions of the Convention.



## NEW LONDON COUNTY.

New London, St. James' Church, Francis Allyn\*, J. P. C. Mather.

Norwich, Christ Church, James L. Day.

Preston, (Poquetonnock,) St. James' Church, Isaac H. Cook.

Salem, Christ Church.

Stonington, Calvary Church, Dyer B. Potter.

## NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

New Haven, { Trinity Church, Wm. H. Ellis, Judson Canfield.  
St. Paul's Church, Enos Cutler, W. W. Holley.  
St. James', (Westville,) Samuel Lloyd.  
St. Thomas', New Haven, Isaac Bradley.  
St. Luke's, (African.)

Guilford, Christ Church, Russel Benton, Albert B. Wildman.

North Guilford, St. John's Church, John G. Johnson.

Branford, Trinity Church, David Barker, Jonathan Collins.

North Branford, Christ Church, Chauncey Linsley.

East Haven, { Christ Church.  
St. James' Church, (Fair Haven,) Daniel Foot,  
Samuel M. Brown.

North Haven, St. John's Church, Everlin Blakslee.

Northford, St. Andrew's Church, Jonathan Dayton.

Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.

Cheshire, St. Peter's Church, A. J. Driggs, Arad W. Welton.

Meriden, St. Andrew's, Edwin E. Curtiss, John Hull.

Hamden, Grace Church, Richard Blakeslee, Elias Ford.

West Haven, Christ Church.

Milford, St. George's Church, Andrew French.

Derby, { St. James' Church, (Birmingham,) Joseph P. Canfield,  
Stephen G. Wilcoxson.  
Christ Church, Moses White, Edward B. Crafts\*.

Humphreysville, Union Church, Daniel Carrington, Josiah Nettleton.

Oxford, { St. Peter's Church, Elisha W. Gedney.  
Christ Church, (Quakers' Farms,) George A. Flagg,  
Marvin K. Sanford.

Waterbury, St. John's Church, John P. Elton, David W. Austin.

Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church, John Peck, Richard Hine.

Middlebury, ——— Church.

Bethany, Christ Church.

Wolcott, All Saints' Church, Moses Pond.

Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.

Southbury, Church of the Resurrection.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Stratford, Christ Church, Elbert Wells.

Bridgeport, St. John's Church, Wm. P. Burrell, Henry F. Huggins

Fairfield, Trinity Church, Hull Sherwood, David Banks.

Weston, ——— Church, Warren Nichols.

Norwalk, St. Paul's Church, Wm. St. John, Thomas Warner, Jr.

Stamford, St. John's Church, John Ferguson, Joshua B. Ferris.

Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.

Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church, Timothy Jones, W. K. Keeler\*.

Danbury, St. James' Church, Reuben Booth, Charles Rider.

Bethel, St. Thomas' Church, Samuel Judd.

Reading, Christ Church.

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Brookfield, St. Paul's Church, Edson T. Shepard\*, Danl. G. Beers\*.

Huntington, St. Paul's Church, Elly Lewis\*, Agur Wheeler.

Monroe, St. Peter's Church, Anson Beardslee.

Trumbull, { Christ Church, Abel Mallett.  
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New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.

Greenwich, { Christ Church, Samuel G. Cornell, Henry Bush.  
                  { Emmanuel Chapel, (Glenville.)

Westport, Christ Church, Dennis Nash, Benjamin L. Waite.

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church, Seth P. Beers, Origen S. Seymour.

Bantam Falls, St. Paul's Church.

Milton, Trinity Church.

Northfield, Trinity Church.

New Milford, St. John's Church, John G. Noble.

Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.

Sharon, Christ Church, John Woodruff.

Kent, St. Andrew's Church, Rufus Fuller, Jr\*.

New Preston, St. Andrew's Church, Alvin Brown.

Washington, St. John's Church.

Salisbury, St. John's Church.

Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.

Roxbury, Christ Church.

Watertown, Christ Church, Jacob N. Blakslee, S. H. Hopkins.

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Attest,

Or,

Or,

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Parish

[Place of date.]

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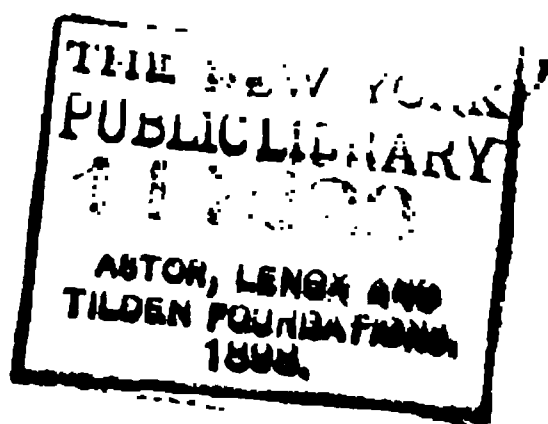
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- " Abner Jackson, Professor in Trinity College.**
- " S. Farmer Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam, residing at Middletown.**
- " William Jarvis, residing at Portland.**
- " Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.**
- " Isaac Jones,\* residing at Litchfield.**
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- " Truman Marsh,\* residing at Litchfield.**
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- " J. D. Mead,\* residing at Norwalk.**
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“ **Frederick B. Woodward, Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.**

“ **Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.**

“ **Henry Zell, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.**

**Total, 90.**

**CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS IN CONVENTION.**

**The Rev. B. Benham,**

“ **J. D. Berry,**

“ **J. J. Brandigee,**

“ **P. G. Clark,**

“ **G. Deshon,**

“ **J. M. Guion, residing  
at New Britain.**

“ **E. J. Ives,**

“ **M. Moody,**

“ **J. Morgan,**

**The Rev. J. D. Smith,**

“ **A. Spooner,**

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“ **G. S. White,**

“ **M. Wilcox.**

**Total, 17.**

**CLERGYMEN OFFICIATING IN THE DIOCESE WHO HAVE NOT YET  
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**The Rev. S. J. Evans, officiating at Trinity Church, Bristol.**

“ **W. Staunton, officiating at St. Luke's, Glastenbury.**

“ **J. W. Hoffman, officiating at Christ Church, Tashua.**

**Total, 3.**

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.**

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**David A. Wright.**

**George W. Horne.**

**James Rankine, A. B.**

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CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD, }  
June 12, 1849. }

The Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, having been appointed to meet at this time and place, Divine Service commenced at half past 10 o'clock A. M. Morning Prayer was read as far as the creed, by the Rev. William Watson, and concluded by the Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, D. D. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Samuel Cooke, from 2 Tim. ii. 15. Mr. Frederick Sill was admitted to the order of Deacons, and the Rev. A. Newkirk Littlejohn, A. B., and the Rev. Robert C. Rogers, A. M., to the order of Priests; the candidate for the Diaconate being presented by the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, and those for the Priesthood by the Rev. Dr. Williams. The Bishop was assisted in the Litany and other parts of the Ordination Office, by Rev. Drs. Wheaton and Croswell, and in the communion Service, by the Rev. Mr. Chauncey; the Rev. Dr. Croswell, the Rev. Dr. Wheaton, and the Rev. Mr. Watson aiding in the administration.

The Bishop then took his seat as President of the Convention.

The list of the Clergy entitled to seats, prepared by the Bishop and Standing Committee, according to Canon XI, was read by the Rev. J. M. Willey, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz :

**The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.**

**The Rev. William Atwill,**

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- “ David Baldwin,**
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There being a constitutional quorum of the Clerical Order present, the Chair proceeded to appoint the Rev. Messrs. Willey, Beardsley, and Watson, a Committee to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates. The Convention then adjourned to meet at the same place at 3 o'clock, P. M.

### CHRIST CHURCH, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment; the Bishop in the Chair.

The Committee appointed to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates reported that the following gentlemen had been elected to represent their respective parishes in the Convention.

### L A Y D E L E G A T E S .

| COUNTIES. | CHURCHES.                    | DELEGATES.             |
|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Hartford, | Christ, Hartford,            | Philip Ripley,         |
|           |                              | Denison Morgan,        |
|           | St. John's, "                | Thomas Belknap,        |
|           |                              | R. D. Hubbard,         |
|           | Trinity, Bristol,            | Alonzo Warner,         |
|           | St. John's, Warehouse Point, | Levi Palmer,*          |
|           |                              | A. Kinney,             |
|           | Grace, Broad Brook,          | Stedman Nash,          |
|           |                              | Joel Holkins,          |
|           | St. Mary's, Manchester,      | Henry Sherman,         |
| Windham.  | St. Luke's, Glastenbury,     | James T. Pratt,        |
|           | Trinity, Tariffville,        | Joel C. Holcomb,       |
|           |                              | Ariel Mitchelson, Jr., |
| Tolland.  | St. Paul's, Windham,         | Geo. S. Catlin,*       |
|           |                              | Giles Taintor,*        |
| Tolland.  | Christ, Pomfret,             | Henry Eldridge,*       |
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The Holy Rite of Confirmation has been administered in the following Parishes, viz :

|             |                         |            |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------|
| July 16th,  | Broad Brook,            | 4 persons. |
| Oct. 1st,   | Bridgeport,             | 22 "       |
| " 2d,       | Weston,                 | 9 "        |
| " 4th,      | Norwalk,                | 9 "        |
| " 5th,      | Wilton,                 | 2 "        |
| " 6th,      | New Canaan,             | 15 "       |
| " 7th,      | Westport,               | 16 "       |
| " 8th,      | Stamford,               | 22 "       |
| " "         | Greenwich,              | 12 "       |
| " 18th,     | Cheshire,               | 4 "        |
| Oct. 19th,  | Bethany,                | 6 "        |
| Nov. 1st,   | Winsted,                | 4 "        |
| Dec. 10th,  | Glastenbury,            | 10 "       |
| " 23d,      | New Britain,            | 9 "        |
| Jan. 21st,  | New Haven, (Trinity)    | 21 "       |
| " "         | St. James', (Westville) | 2 "        |
| March 4th   | Middletown,             | 16 "       |
| April 18th, | Norwich,                | 17 "       |
| " 29th,     | New Haven, (St. Paul's) | 28 "       |
| " 30th,     | Fair Haven,             | 17 "       |
| " "         | Nichols' Farms,         | 3 "        |
| May 1st,    | Milford,                | 9 "        |
| " 2d,       | Long Hill,              | 10 "       |
| " 3d,       | Tashua,                 | 3 "        |
| " "         | Monroe,                 | 8 "        |
| " 4th,      | Reading,                | 16 "       |
| " 5th,      | Ridgefield,             | 3 "        |
| " 6th,      | Danbury,                | 20 "       |
| " "         | Bethel,                 | 13 "       |
| " 7th,      | Brookfield,             | 8 "        |



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|      | “   | 8th,  | Newtown,                  | 18 | “ |
|      | “   | 20th, | Naugatuck,                | 3  | “ |
|      | “   | “     | Waterbury,                | 35 | “ |
|      | “   | 27th, | Plymouth, (St. Peter's)   | 20 | “ |
|      | “   | “     | Bristol,                  | 5  | “ |
| June | 3d, |       | Humphreysville,           | 47 | “ |
|      | “   | “     | Derby,                    | 16 | “ |
|      | “   | “     | Birmingham,               | 11 | “ |
|      | “   | 4th,  | Hamden,                   | 12 | “ |
|      | “   | 10th, | Hartford, (St. John's)    | 17 | “ |
|      | “   | “     | Hartford, (Christ Church) | 20 | “ |

In all, 541

The following persons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons within the past year, viz :

Robert Cooper Rogers, A. B., in St. John's Church, Hartford, July 9th ; Frederick D. Harriman, A. B. in the same Church, the 24th of September ; John Woodbridge Birchmore, A. B. in Christ Church, Middletown, on the 4th day of March.

The following Deacons have been admitted to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, viz. :

The Rev. Henry Edwards, in Trinity Church, New Haven, on the 13th of August, by the Rt. Rev'd. Bishop of North Carolina, acting on my behalf ; and the Rev. John S. Brandigee, in St. James', New London, by the Right Rev. Bishop of Rhode Island, acting on my behalf.

This day, in the presence of the Convention, I have admitted Frederick Sill to the Holy Order of Deacons ; and the Rev. Andrew N. Littlejohn, and Rev. Robert C. Rogers, to the Holy Order of the Priesthood.

Five new candidates for Holy Orders have been enrolled during the past year, viz. ;

Edward Jessup, A. B. on the 17th of June ; Seth S. Chapin,

on the same day; William Rudder, A. B. on the 20th of September; David A. Wright, on the 9th of April, and George W. Horne, on the 12th of June.

- James Rankine, A. B., has been received as a candidate for Holy Orders, by letter of transfer from the Diocese of Western New York; and De Witt C. Loop, A. B., has been transferred by me to the same Diocese.

The following clergymen have taken dimissory letters, and removed to other Dioceses, viz, :

The Rev. Henry Edwards, the Rev. Wm. Payne, the Rev. Edward C. Bull, the Rev. Wm. Long, to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Wm. B. Ashley, to the Diocese of Western New York; the Rev. Thomas S. Savage, to the Diocese of Alabama; and the Rev. T. R. Pynchon, and the Rev. John W. Birchmore, to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

On the other hand, the following clergymen have been received with dimissory letters from other Dioceses, viz. :

The Rev. Henry Townsend, the Rev. John Williams, D. D., the Rev. Thomas T. Guion, the Rev. Wm. F. Walker, the Rev. Alexander Capron, the Rev. Sylvester Nash, and the Rev. Mr. Shears, from the Diocese of New York. The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton, D. D., from the Diocese of Louisiana. The Rev. Wm. H. Rees, from the Diocese of Maryland. The Rev. Horace Hills, from the Diocese of Michigan. The Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, from the Diocese of Western New York, and the Rev. James L. Scott, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

In addition to these accessions, the Rev. Samuel J. Evans, who is officiating at Bristol; the Rev. Wm. Staunton, officiating at Glastenbury; and the Rev. John W. Hoffman, officiating at Wolcott, have taken up their residence in the Diocese, but have not yet presented their letters dimissory.

On the 7th day of October last, I instituted the Rev. Wm. H.

Frisbie, into the Rectorship of Christ Church, Westport ; and the Rev. Wm. F. Walker, in virtue of a letter of Institution addressed to the Rev. Jacob L. Clark, has by him been Instituted into the Rectorship of Union Church, Humphreysville.

Several changes have taken place, within the past year, in regard to the location of the Clergy of the Diocese. The Rev. Joseph S. Covell has removed from the Parish at Essex, to that of Bethlehem. The Rev. Charles R. Fisher has relinquished his mission at Manchester Mills, and taken charge of the Parish of Saybrook. The Rev. Wm. H. Frisbie has removed from Bethlehem to the Rectorship of the Parish at Westport. The Rev. John M. Guion has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Grace Church, Saybrook. The Rev. Henry V. Gardner leaves the Parish of Tashua, and confines his services to that of Long Hill. The Rev. James McKay has resigned the Rectorship of Naugatuck, and returned to Scotland. The Rev. Martin Moody has resigned the charge of the Parish of Sharon. The Rev. Enoch Huntington has returned from New York, and taken charge of the new Parish of Nichols' Farms. The Rev. John D. Smith has relinquished the charge of the Parish of Wolcott. The Rev. David P. Sanford has resigned his cure at Oxford, and taken charge of the Parish at Wolcottville. The Rev. S. S. Stocking has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Newtown. The Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson has removed from Plymouth, and taken charge of the Parish at Wilton. The Rev. Abel Nichols has become Rector of the Church at Windsor. The Rev. George W. Nichols has taken charge of the Parish at Northfield ; and the Rev. N. S. Richardson is officiating at East Haven.

Of the Deacons ordained during the past year, the Rev. Robert C. Rogers has accepted the charge of the Parish at Naugatuck, and the Rev. Frederick D. Harriman has taken charge of the Parishes of Milton and Bantam Falls.

Of the Clergy received with letters from other Dioceses, the Rev. Henry Townsend has accepted the Rectorship of St. James Church, Westville. The Rev. Dr. Williams has accepted the Presidency of Trinity College. The Rev. Thomas T. Guion, has accepted the Rectorship of the Parish at Birmingham. The Rev. Wm. F. Walker has accepted the Rectorship of the Parish at Humphreysville. The Rev. Sylvester Nash has taken charge of the Parish of Essex. The Rev. Horace Hills has accepted the Rectorship of the Parish at Newtown. The Rev. Wm. H. Rees has accepted the Rectorship of the Parish at New Milford. The Rev. A. N. Littlejohn has accepted the Rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden. The Rev. Alexander Capron has accepted the charge of the Parish of New Britain; and the Rev. Mr. Shears is officiating at Sharon.

Two of the Clergy have been removed by death, since our last annual meeting, viz: The Rev. Birdsey G. Noble, and the Rev. Cyrus Munson. The former was for many years an efficient Pastor in the Parish of Christ Church, Middletown, but was subsequently engaged in the instruction of youth. The latter was a young Clergyman of high promise in the Church; but, by a mysterious dispensation of unerring Providence, was suddenly cut off in the midst of his usefulness.

At our last Convention, I took occasion to congratulate the Diocese on the improving style of our ecclesiastical architecture. Since that time, several new Churches have been completed, and others are in progress of erection, which afford ample illustrations of this gratifying fact.

On the first day of November last, I consecrated a neat edifice in the new Parish of Winsted, by the name of St. James' Church. This Parish has been organised and the Church erected, mainly by the exertions of the Missionary Association of Litchfield County, and through the instrumentality of the Rev. Jonathan

Coe. On the 23d of December last, I consecrated St. Mark's Church, in the Parish of New Britain. It was erected under the auspices of the Rev. Professor Jackson, of Trinity College, is capacious in its dimensions, and is distinguished for the good taste of its architectural arrangements. On the 18th of April, I consecrated the new and imposing edifice of Christ Church, Norwich. The plan of this Church was furnished by Mr. Upjohn, of New York. It is every way worthy of his distinguished reputation; while at the same time, the edifice will stand as a noble monument of the zeal and liberality of its founders.

On the 30th of April I consecrated a very neat edifice in the new Parish of Nichols' Farms, by the name of Trinity Church.

On the 21st of May I consecrated Calvary Church, in the borough of Stonington. This Church is built of unhewn granite, after a plan furnished by Mr. Upjohn; and is alike creditable to the taste and skill of the Architect, to the liberality of the new Parish, and to the zeal of the Missionary, (the Rev. Mr. Willey,) under whose auspices it was erected. I regard it as the most perfect model of a village Church which our country affords.

Brethren, I have little to say in addition to the statistics which I have now laid before you. We may therefore proceed to the ordinary business of the Convention. I am not aware of anything demanding special legislation, and do not anticipate a protracted session. Yet our ordinary business is not without its interest, and may have important bearing on the welfare of the Church. It should therefore be transacted with due deliberation, in the fear of God, and in the exercise of a good conscience.

The special objects of our coming together on occasions like the present, should moreover impress upon our minds the solemn duties which we at all times owe to the Church of Christ, and to the Institutions designed for its welfare. The fostering

care of our College, and other Seminaries of learning, should engage our constant solicitude. To the former we are to look, in all time to come, for a well educated and pious ministry, for sound men in the other learned professions, and for competent instructors of our youth in the subordinate branches of education. During the few years which have elapsed since its establishment, it has given an earnest of what it may hereafter accomplish for the Church, if it shall continue to enjoy its fostering care. I know of no object more worthy of the interest and liberality of Churchmen, and none where their benefactions may be assured of a more far-reaching benefit, and a more certain return, than in the building up of Trinity College.

The diffusion of the religion of Christ, and the establishment of his Church is the primary duty of all Christians. Hence it is that Missionary operations derive their claim upon our fostering care. To the Foreign and Domestic departments of our General Missionary Association, I have often called your attention, and I have again to urge your continued interest in their behalf. But in doing this I cannot forbear pressing upon your attention the extensive portions of our own Diocese where the institutions of our Church are yet to be established. I should therefore be unfaithful to my trust, if I did not urge upon you the duty of greater exertions for the support of Diocesan Missions.

In conclusion, I desire to impress upon my Brethren of the Laity, each in their several Parishes, the duty of a more competent provision for the support of those who are entrusted with the care of their respective households of faith. Many of our Clergy, educated at great expense, and bound to sustain a respectable position in society, are compelled to support their families for a less remuneration for their services than is received by the journeyman mechanic. Brethren, let such self-denying laborers be the objects of your special sympathy and increased

liberality. It should be borne in mind that while the ordinary expenses of living have, within the last thirty years, been greatly enhanced, and while the ability of the Parishes and cures has, in most cases, been greatly increased, the salaries of many of the Clergy who officiate in country Parishes, remain nearly stationary. If the faithful laborer is worthy of his hire, I can bear witness to the zeal, industry and faithfulness with which the pastoral duties are performed throughout the Diocese.

Desiring to leave this subject prominently before the Lay Brethren of the Convention, that it may hereafter be duly considered by the Parishes, I here close this brief address.

May the great Head of the Church guide and govern us in the business that is before us, preserving our minds from all prejudice and error, and directing all our deliberations and actions to the promotion of his glory.

T. C. BROWNELL.

On motion, resolved, to adopt, for the regulation of the Convention, the following

### Rules of Order.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by Prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address their Chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Convention, unless he have leave from the House.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session.

7. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk out of, or across the House, or read any book.

8. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

9. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

10. When any question is before the Convention, it shall be determined on before any thing new is introduced, except for adjournment.

11. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

12. When the Convention is to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leave the chair.

13. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following Standing Committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of five members, viz :

A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

do. on the Constitution and Canons.

do. on Unfinished Business.

do. on Finance.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That, Clergymen of the Diocese not entitled to seats, and visiting clergymen from other Dioceses, and candidates for Holy Orders, be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The following gentlemen were present under this resolution. The Rev. T. W. Coit, D. D. and the Rev. William Staunton of the Diocese of New York ; the Rev. Mr. Hoffman, of Pennsylvania ; the Rev. H. W. Lee, and the Rev. O. P. Holcomb of Western New York ; and Samuel Bene-



dict, James Rankine, and Collis J. Potter, Candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Connecticut. The Standing Committees, required by the 13th Rule of Order, were then chosen, on nomination by the Chair, as follows :

*Admission of New Parishes.*

The Rev. H. CROSWELL, D. D.

“ E. E. BEARDSLEY,

“ R. A. HALLAM,

RICHARD ADAMS, Esq.,

Hon. JOHN S. PETERS.

*Constitution and Canons.*

The Rev. S. F. JARVIS, D. D.

“ A. S. TODD, D. D.,

“ F. HOLCOMB, D. D.,

Hon. S. P. BEERS,

S. HAWLEY, Esq.

*Unfinished Business.*

The Rev. A. C. COXE,

“ J. L. CLARK,

“ A. JACKSON,

WM. H. ELLIS, Esq.,

TRUMAN GOODWIN, Esq.

*Finance.*

The Rev. WM. WATSON,

“ JOHN PURVES,

“ N. E. CORNWALL,

S. G. CORNELL, Esq.,

P. RIPLEY, Esq.

The Rev. J. Coe was appointed to receive the assessments of the several parishes towards making up the deficiency in the Bishop's salary.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Rev. Dr. Todd, the Rev. Mr. Beard-

ley, and John Ferguson, Esq., be a Committee to request of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, such a statement as will exhibit the present indebtedness of the Diocese to the Bishop.

Thomas Belknap, Esq., was appointed to receive the moneys for the Christian Knowledge Society, and for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, read his Annual Report,\* also a Report† of sums received under the Canon "providing for the wants of Aged and Infirm Clergymen."

The Report‡ of the Treasurer of the Convention, Thomas Belknap, Esq., was then read.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the three Reports just made be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following Preamble and Resolution were then offered, and, on motion, laid upon the Table to be taken up at some time during the session of this Convention:

Whereas, it is believed that a feeling of dissatisfaction exists in the Diocese, as well as in the Church generally, with the general Missionary system, and more especially in regard to the very large central expenses; and inasmuch as it is believed that one cause of the paucity of offerings is this feeling of dissatisfaction;—therefore

*Resolved*, That the members of the Board of Missions belonging to this Diocese be and hereby are requested to use all diligence to make such change as may restore the confidence of Churchmen, and draw forth their more liberal offerings for the support of the Church's Missions.

A communication was received from the Physician of the Retreat for the Insane, inviting the members of the Convention to visit that Institution.

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\*See Appendix B.

†See Appendix C.

‡See Appendix D.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That this invitation be accepted, and that the thanks of the Convention be returned for the same.

The Rev. Dr. Croswell, Chairman of the Committee on the admission of new Parishes, reported ;

That having received and examined papers certifying to the organization of a new Parish in the town of Winchester, by the name of St. James' Church, and finding them correct, the Committee would recommend that the said Parish be received into union with this Convention, and its Lay Delegate admitted.

The Report was accepted, and the Hon. Wm. S. Holabird admitted to a seat in the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, for the year ensuing.

The following gentlemen were elected.

The Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D.,

“ S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D.,

“ Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D.,

“ Robert A. Hallam.

“ Jacob L. Clark

The Parochial Reports\* were received by the Bishop, the reading of them being dispensed with.

The Rev. Dr. Todd, Chairman of the Committee on the Bishop's Fund, made an informal statement in reference to the same.

On motion, the subject was recommitted, with instructions to report more fully to-morrow†.

The Secretary presented the following Report of the Missionary Committee appointed at the last Convention, which, on motion, was laid on the table, and made the order of the day for to-morrow, immediately after the reading of the minutes.

\*Appendix A.

†The Convention adjourned before the Committee were ready to report.

## R e p o r t .

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the state of our Diocesan Missions, and particularly the new Canon proposed at the last Convention, providing for the support of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, beg leave to report—

That their investigation of the subject has but served to deepen the conviction before felt, that there is need of more being done in this department than has been done—that there is land to be possessed, and ground which demands cultivation at this very time—and that nothing but the want of means stands in the way of the extension of the Church in this Commonwealth. Your committee have not been able to resist the conviction that we, as a Diocesan Church, have been culpably remiss in not going forward as we might where God has opened doors of opportunity, and in having neglected to occupy portions of the field lying within our own State upon which Providence is inviting us to enter. The strength of the Diocese is such, both in numbers and in pecuniary ability, that it must always be competent to take possession of every new point to which the way is opened for the introduction of the Church. In view of this truth, we cannot look at the unoccupied ground which is white with the waving harvest, without feeling that we have been, and still are, sinfully slothful; that as a people we are, in this, guilty of neglect before the God of the Church. It is certainly not to our credit that in a Diocese so old as this, and of such limited extent, the Church should be so partially known as it is.

Why we are content with doing so little as we have been doing is a question of deepest interest. Your committee would ask, is it not because the people of the Church are not generally informed as to the proportion of territory which yet remains unoccupied by us within the Diocese, and as to the inviting condition of some portions of this field? There is no good ground for believing that Churchmen would be indifferent to this subject if properly enlightened upon it. On the contrary there is every reason to trust that the Laity, when fully informed, would take a deep interest in this matter, and would manifest a cheerful readiness to provide the means which may be needful, to effect an extension of the Church within our borders.

To secure such a dissemination of this information as shall have the effect to awaken an interest among the people of the Church, and to elicit their free-will offerings in this behalf, there is needed a *frequent, full* and *systematic* presentation of this whole subject in all its bearings, to every congregation of the Diocese, small as well as large—an end not likely to be gained directly, either through the parochial clergy, acting each in his own parish, or through an agent specially appointed to plead the case—the one being too subject to change, and the other too expensive to make them what is wanted for this object.

In this view of the case, your committee have turned with hope to the existing County Associations of the Clergy as furnishing an *ever-standing, efficient* agency, operating without cost, and admirably fitted in every respect, to accomplish just what needs to be done to secure the extension of the Church; presenting, as they might, in each parish of the Diocese, each year, this whole subject in a complete and interesting way; and gathering and transmitting to the proper hands, the benefactions of the people bestowed upon the Missions of the Diocese.

Your committee feel, therefore, that they can do no better than to recommend that the officers of the Christian Knowledge Society do what they can to enlist the several County Associations of the Clergy in this work forthwith, with such an understanding between them and the Associations as will enable the Directors of the Society to employ, at once, as many Missionaries as can profitably be engaged in the promising portions of the yet unoccupied field. And that the subject may be annually brought to the notice of the Convention, the committee also recommend the adoption of the following Canon to be entitled, Canon XIV. Providing for the support of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge. “It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, to lay before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, at the opening of its session, a statement of the amount of means needed for the current year.”

All which is respectfully submitted,

T. C. BROWNELL,

Chairman of the Joint Committee.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet for Divine Service at half past 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

CHRIST CHURCH,  
Wednesday, half past 8 o'clock, A. M. }

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Benjamin M. Yarrington, assisted in the Litany by Rev. Joseph H. Nichols.

The Bishop took the Chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Roll having been called by the Secretary, the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

#### LAY DELEGATES.

The following additional Lay Delegates presented their testimonials and took their seats.

*St. John's, Bridgeport.* Silas C. Booth, and Henry F. Huggins.

*St. Paul's, Huntington.* Elly Lewis, Elias A. Hall.

*St. James', Winsted.* William S. Holabird.

*St. Mark's, New Britain.* J. H. Todd.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented the following abstract of their proceedings for the past year, which is entered on the Journal, in accordance with Canon VI.

#### Standing Committee.

*Abstract of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Convention of 1848, to the Convention of 1849.*

There have been during the past year seven meetings of the Standing Committee—six regular and one special.

I. The first meeting, according to the ninth article of the Constitution, was held on the day of their election, in St. Paul's Church, New Haven, June 14th, 1848. All the members were present, viz.: Rev. Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rev. Samuel Farmer Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., Rev. Robert A. Hallam,

A. M., and Rev. Jacob L. Clark, A. M. The Rev. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis Secretary.

II. The second meeting was held at Hartford, August 2, 1848. Four members were present. Testimonials in favor of the Rev. Henry Edwards, Deacon, were signed, recommending him for Priest's orders.

III. A special meeting was held at Meriden on Saturday, August 12th, 1848, to sign the testimonials for Priest's orders of the Rev. Oliver Sherman Prescott, Deacon, who, by permission of the Bishop, was to be ordained the next day at New Haven, by his Diocesan, the Bishop of North Carolina. The members present were the Rev. Dr. Croswell, the Rev. Mr. Clark, and the Secretary. The testimonials on which they acted were signed, on the eleventh of August, by the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, New Haven, to which parish the Rev. Mr. Prescott, before his diaconate, had belonged.

IV. The third regular meeting was held at Hartford, Sept. 20, 1848. Present the Rev. Drs. Croswell and Mead, the Rev. Mr. Hallam and the Secretary. Frederick D. Harriman, A. B., Trinity College, a candidate for Holy Orders, was recommended to the Bishop to be ordained Deacon, and Wm. Rudder, A. B., Trinity College, to be admitted Candidate.

V. The fourth regular meeting was held at Hartford, December 27th, 1848. The Secretary being absent, the Rev. Robert A. Hallam was appointed Secretary pro tem. All the other members were present. Testimonials were signed, recommending the Rev. J. J. Brandigee, Deacon, for Priests' orders, and Mr. John W. Birchmore, for Deacons' orders.

VI. The fifth regular meeting was held at Hartford, April 10th, 1849. All the members being present but the President, the Rev. Dr. Mead was called to the Chair. Testimonials were signed in favor of the Rev. Robert C. Rogers, Deacon, for Priests' orders, and of Mr. David A. Wright as a Candidate.

VII. The sixth regular meeting was held at Hartford, June 12, 1849. Present, all the members. William Oscar Jarvis, John A. Paddock, and Frederick Sill, Candidates, were recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacons; the Rev. Alonzo G. Shears and A. N. Littlejohn, Deacons, to be ordered Priests; and Mr. George W. Horne to be admitted Candidate. The Standing Committee then

acted with the Bishop, according to the provisions of Canon XI., in making out the list of Clergy entitled to seats in Convention ; after which they adjourned *sine die*.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, Secretary.

HARTFORD, June, 13, 1849.

The Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, submitted, as a record of additional Missionary efforts within the Diocese, the Report\* of the "Clerical and missionary Association of Litchfield County," which, on motion, was ordered to be placed on the Journal in connection with the Report of the Treasurer of the Christian Knowledge Society.

The Convention then proceeded to the order of the day, viz. The Report of the Missionary Committee made yesterday.

On motion, the Canon therein proposed was amended so as to read as follows :

**CANON XIV.**—*Providing for the support of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.*

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, to lay before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, at the opening of its session, a statement of the amount of means needed for the current year, and of the places in which it is desirable to expend these means ; which statement shall be placed on the pages of the Journal.

The Report was then accepted and the Canon adopted.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Convention append to the Journal a statement exhibiting the towns and villages in the several counties of the State where the Church does not now exist.†

The Resolution laid on the table yesterday respecting the

\*Appendix E.

†Appendix F.



General Missionary system, was called up, and after a slight amendment and some discussion, was unanimously adopted.

The Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society.\*

The business of this Society having been transacted, the Convention was reorganized, and resumed its proceedings.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to purchase a suitable chest in which to deposit the books and papers belonging to the Convention of this Diocese: and that it be the duty of the Secretary to take a receipt for whatever may be loaned from the place of deposit.

The Committee appointed "to carry into execution the preparation and erection of a Monument to Bishop Seabury," presented the following

### Report.

The committee on the Erection of the Seabury Monument beg leave to report:

That having been authorized by the Committee on the Monument Funds to proceed in the execution of the design, they adopted a plan by Upjohn, and ordered the monument to be completed accordingly. This has been done, but the Committee have been unable to visit and inspect the work, as they desire to do, before pronouncing it satisfactory. As there still remain some minor matters subject to their examination and direction, they would respectfully ask a further commission for the present year, with the intention of presenting a final report at the next Convention.

The Committee would express their sense of obligation to the parishioners of St. James', New London, who have been subjected to some inconveniences by unforeseen difficulties in the progress of the work, but who have facilitated the undertaking with courtesy and forbearance.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS,  
WM. COOPER MEAD,  
ROBERT A. HALLAM,  
A. C. COXE,  
T. C. PITKIN.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Report be accepted, and the Committee continued till the next Convention.

The other Committee appointed with reference to the Monument of Bishop Seabury, made the following

### **R e p o r t .**

The Committee appointed to solicit funds for the erection of a Monument to Bishop Seabury, respectfully report :

That since the last Convention, two circulars upon the subject have been addressed to the several parishes in the Diocese. The first was issued by the Chairman of the Committee, and contained the recommendation of the Convention, viz. : that every parish should furnish an amount, equal to an assessment of 12½ cents upon each communicant. The second circular was issued by the Treasurer, and endorsed by the Bishop, and urged the necessity of immediate action, in order to prevent the disgraceful abandonment of a project which should be dear to the heart of every Churchman in the Diocese. This appeal was so far responded to, as to revive the confidence of the Committee. Many pledges were received and some payments made. The anticipated outlay upon the Monument had been estimated at \$1,200, but anxious for the honor of the Diocese, Mr. Upjohn, the eminent architect, agreed to furnish it for \$700. This large reduction in cost would not, for very shame, allow the Committee to hesitate longer, especially as the time had arrived when a decision could no longer be postponed ; and after consultation with several of their brethren of the Clergy, your Committee accordingly authorized those entrusted with the matter to proceed ; not presuming to doubt but that an excellent work, after having been approved by two Conventions, would be sustained and accomplished by the Clergy. Nor has this confidence in the Diocese been disappointed. The amount required is now nearly secured.

WILLIAM F. MORGAN,  
WILLIAM JARVIS,  
RICHARD ADAMS.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the report be accepted.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a list of the Parishes which have contributed to the Seabury Monument, with the sums given annexed, be entered on the Journal.\*

The Committee on Finance made the following

### Report.

The Committee on Finance, report :

That they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Convention, and also those of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, together with those of the Infirm Clergy and Widow's Fund, with their several vouchers, and find them accurate.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WM. WATSON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Croswell, Chairman of the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, made the following

### Report.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes report :

That they have received and examined papers certifying to the organization of a New Parish in the town of Simsbury, by the name of Trinity Church, and finding them satisfactory, the Committee would recommend that the said Parish be received into union with the Convention, and its Lay Delegates admitted.

H. CROSWELL, Chairman.

The Report was accepted; and Joel C. Holcomb and Ariel Mitchelson, Jr., Lay-Delegates from Trinity Church, Simsbury, took their seats as members of the Convention.

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\*Appendix H.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following

### **R e p o r t .**

The Committee on Unfinished Business report :

That the only business laid over for the consideration of this Convention is that on page 30 of the Journal, concerning the sixth and seventh articles of the Constitution.

A. C. COXE,  
J. L. CLARK,  
W. H. ELLIS,

On motion,

The Amendments of the sixth and seventh Articles of the Constitution, proposed at the last Convention, were taken up for final action. After some discussion of the subject it was

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Amendments to the sixth and seventh Articles of the Constitution, proposed at the last Convention, be indefinitely postponed.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention be published and distributed, under the direction of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That after the reading of the Minutes, and the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes of the Morning were then read and approved.

After singing the 106 Psalm, a few Collects were said, and the members were dismissed with the Bishop's Benediction.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D.D., LL.D.,

*Bishop of the Diocese and President of the Convention.*

Attest, WM. WATSON, *Secretary.*



# APPENDIX A.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### Hartford County.

#### *Christ Church, Hartford.*

THE REV. P. S. CHAUNCEY, RECTOR.

Families 251. Baptisms—adults 8; infants 22; total 30. Confirmed, 20. Marriages 11. Funerals 28. Communicants—removed from the parish, 17; died, 9; removed into the parish, 18; added, as new communicants, 30; present number 422. Sunday School—teachers, 22; scholars, 165. Contributions—Foreign Missions, \$392; Domestic Missions, (including \$140 to the Diocese of Maine) \$467 17; Sunday Schools in Maine, from Sunday School of Christ Church, \$30; Christian Knowledge Society, \$138 35; Church Scholarship Society, \$80 60; Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen, \$43 65; Communion Alms, \$442 49; total, \$1,594 26.

#### *St. John's Church, Hartford.*

A. CLEVELAND COXE, RECTOR.

The Rector respectfully reports to his Bishop:

Baptisms—Catechumens 11; infants 24; total 35. Confirmed 17. Marriages 3. Burials 20. Communicants—deceased 4;

... added 99 students of Trinity College ...  
 ... Families 56. Sunday School ...  
 ... classes for Confirmation). ...  
 ... the Pastor himself, every Sunday.

... \$233 14; Churching ...  
 ... \$307 ... Purse, presented to the ...  
 ... \$19 05; the Rev. W. B. ...  
 ... \$32 11; Domestic ...  
 ... \$31 ...  
 ... Children's Easter Offering, \$...  
 ... \$51 70; California, \$50; ...  
 ... total \$1,378 48.

... steady increase and prospect ...

### *St. James' Church, West Hartford.*

(No Report.)

### *St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.*

THE REV. W. A. STANTON, MINISTER.

The present incumbent having very recently entered upon the charge of this Parish, is unable to give an accurate statement of many points required in the annual report. The Parish appears to be in a prosperous condition, and numbers about 104 communicants. Besides the usual Sunday services, the Church is open for home worship on all the appointed Holy Days.

Baptisms of adults and 1 infant. Three collections have been taken for the Convention expenses, and for the Christian Knowledge Society.

### *St. Andrew's Church, Simsbury.*

(No Report.)

### *Trinity Church, Simsbury.*

(No Report.)

## *St. John's Church, Warehouse Point.*

THE REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

**Families**, 120. **Baptisms**—adult 1 ; infants 7 ; total 8. **Confirmed** 0. **Marriages** 10. **Burials** 4. **Communicants**—died 2 ; removed 5 ; repelled 1 ; added 6 ; present number 45.

Through the kindness and efficiency of the Rev. Rector of Grace Church, Broad Brook, an occasional service, at 5 o'clock on Sunday evenings, has been held in this Parish during the last conventional year, for the special benefit of the German population, of about 50 persons. Two of the marriages and one burial, reported above, were also performed by him in the German language.

## *Grace Church, Broad Brook.*

THE REV. FRANCIS J. CLERC, RECTOR ELECT.

To his Diocesan, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Rector elect of Grace Church, Broad Brook, respectfully reports :

That the number of families which have been under his spiritual charge during the past year is estimated to be 55. In making this estimate I have counted all such families as are really bound to our Church by some ministerial act performed for one or more of their number ; although in some instances such families do not now recognize the claims of the Church upon them. Thus English families, formerly belonging to the Church of England, but in this country led astray, and even now, perhaps, living in schism, are counted as properly belonging to the Church here, and as a part of the flock committed to my care. There have been 32 different families belonging to the Church, and 23 others who by their own choice have attended the services of the Church, or are connected with the Parish. During the past year I have baptized 17 children ; (all but two in Church, using for five of them the service in the German language.) Number of persons confirmed, 4. Communicants—added by removal, 0 ; anew, 3 ; lost by removal, 2 ; present number, 16. The Holy Eucharist has been administered on the first Sunday of every month, and on every Festival for which a proper Preface is appointed, except-



removed 17 ; added 39 ; students of Trinity College 18 ; present number 245. Families 156. Sunday School, (exclusive of Rector's preparatory classes for Confirmation), 93 children, who are examined by the Rector himself, every Sunday.

Collections—Offeritory \$233 14 ; Churching Offerings \$2 50 ; Parochial objects, \$307 78 ; Purse, presented to the Rector, \$300 ; Church Scholarship Society, \$19 05 ; the Rev. Mr. De Pui's Mission, \$15 25 ; Nashotah, \$62 11 ; Domestic Missions, \$46 45 ; Constantinople, \$117 ; Seabury Monument, \$30 ; St. Gabriels', Windsor, \$92 ; Children's Easter Offering, \$15 ; Christian Knowledge Society, \$51 70 ; California, \$50 ; Africa, \$25 ; Infirm Clergy, \$11.50 ; total \$1,378 48.

The parish enjoys a steady increase and prosperity, by the blessing of God.

### *St. James' Church, West Hartford.*

(No Report.)

### *St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.*

THE REV. WM. STAUNTON, MINISTER.

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Baptisms—2 adults, and 1 infant. Three collections have been taken for the Convention expenses, and for the Christian Knowledge Society.

### *St. Andrew's Church, Simsbury.*

(No Report.)

### *Trinity Church, Simsbury.*

(No Report.)

## *St. John's Church, Warehouse Point.*

THE REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

Families, 120. Baptisms—adult 1 ; infants 7 ; total 8. Confirmed 0. Marriages 10. Burials 4. Communicants—died 2 ; removed 5 ; repelled 1 ; added 6 ; present number 45.

Through the kindness and efficiency of the Rev. Rector of Grace Church, Broad Brook, an occasional service, at 5 o'clock on Sunday evenings, has been held in this Parish during the last conventional year, for the special benefit of the German population, of about 50 persons. Two of the marriages and one burial, reported above, were also performed by him in the German language.

## *Grace Church, Broad Brook.*

THE REV. FRANCIS J. CLERC, RECTOR ELECT.

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ing only Ascension-day; also once at the Convocation of the Clergy of this county which met here in October, and once in the month of March, on account of the prevalence of the small pox in the Parish, and in accordance with the rubrical direction given before the office of the Communion of the sick; in all, 17 times. The number of marriages solemnized is 11, (all in the Church but 1, and 8 by the use of the service in the German Prayer Book). The number of burials performed is two, (one in the German language.) The whole number of scholars attending the Sunday School has been 48, and is now 25. There have been 4 classes and 5 different teachers. Services have been held in Church on every Sunday, (once by a lay-reader, Mr. W. H. Cook) and on all Saints' days and Festivals and Fasts, saving only Rogation days, and Ascension day when I was necessarily absent. During Lent, daily Morning and Evening Prayers were frequently attended by a large number of children, besides a few others. On Wednesdays and Fridays through Lent, Evening Prayer, followed by a Lecture, was said at some house in the village; and also through the preceding winter on Wednesday evenings. The Visitation office has been used with several sick persons; and two women have been churched. The moneys contributed at the offertory have amounted to \$37 52; of which \$9 31 have been disbursed for S. S. books; \$2 for Foreign Missions; \$4 for Domestic Missions; \$4 to Bishops' Fund; \$1 62 to the Seabury Monument; \$3 75 to Convention Fund; to expenses of the Church \$3 24; Alms \$7 69; and \$1 65 to C. K. Society. Besides these moneys, the ladies' sewing circle has expended \$35 in the purchase of a double bass-viol, presented by them to the Church; and a sale was held, from which about \$200 were realized for the payment of old debts. The assistance of friends who contributed articles for sale, is gratefully acknowledged. Total of contributions, \$272 52.

*St. Peter's Church, Granby.*

(No REPORT.)

## *Trinity Church, Bristol.*

THE REV. S. J. EVANS, RECTOR.

Families 48. Baptisms—infants 6 ; adults 3 ; total 9. Confirmed 5. Communicants—added anew 6 ; by removal 3 ; lost by death and removal 4 ; present number 68. Marriages 5. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 8 ; children 39. There are two Bible classes instituted in connection with the Sunday School. In addition to these, the Rector has assembled at the parsonage, on a stated day of each week, a class of young men, for the purpose of explaining and inculcating the principles, doctrines, and usages of the Church. Divine Worship has been celebrated, and a Sermon preached, on several evenings during the season of Lent. Communion Alms, \$15 09 ; Monthly Offerings, \$43 04. Missionary and Charitable contributions—to Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5 ; Domestic Missions, \$5 ; to Constantinople Mission, \$5 ; total \$15. Besides this, the parish has expended \$250 in renovating the interior of their church edifice. The walls have been appropriately colored, and a Vestry-room of ample dimensions has been erected in the rear of the church. By this arrangement we have secured a Chancel of good size, which is fitted up with furniture entirely new.

This Parish is united, is firm in the principles of the Church, and is destined to increase ; but this happy result can be secured here, as elsewhere, only by faithfulness on the part of both pastor and people.

On behalf of my predecessor, I report, that from the Convention of 1847 to Easter, 1848, there was in this parish one adult baptized ; five persons confirmed ; four couple married : six communicants added anew, and three by removal ; and one funeral attended. The monthly offerings for this period amounted to \$47 65.

## *St. Mark's Church, New Britain.*

THE REV. ALEXANDER CAPRON, (DEACON,) MINISTER.

Families—removed 2 ; added 24 ; present number 58. Single persons holding seats 15. Communicants—deceased 2 ; removed 5 ; added 24 ; in all 66. Baptisms—infants 7 ; adults 3. Confirmed 9. Marriages 2. Burials 7. Sunday School—scholars 40 ; catechists 10. Collections—for parish library and parochial

purposes \$9 61 ; Domestic and Foreign Missions \$8 15 ; Offertory \$9 ; Seabury Monument \$5 25 ; total \$32 61.

The Rev. Professor Jackson continued in charge of this Parish until Nov. 19, 1848. Through his energy and the truly Christian liberality of the few Churchmen belonging to this Parish, a handsome Gothic Church was erected during the last summer and autumn, at a cost of \$6,300.

It is proper to observe, that the class of 9 persons reported as confirmed, received instruction for that holy rite from the former Rector, Rev. Prof. Jackson.

It is due also to the liberality of the donors, to state that a beautiful Chancel window has been presented to the Parish by Mr. Gervase Wheeler, architect ; and a handsome stone Font, by Mr. Henry E. Russell. It is due also to the ladies of the Parish to state, that through their industry the Church has been handsomely carpeted.

Under the blessing of God, the labors of the former Rector and the persevering efforts of the parishioners have accomplished much for the Church in this place.

The prospects of the Parish are at present most encouraging. And too much can hardly be said in commendation of the unanimity, earnestness, and liberality, of the little band of Churchmen who have testified their willingness to "honor the Lord with their substance," by adding a beautiful ornament to their flourishing village, and giving to its inhabitants a goodly temple wherein they may worship God, in the solemn and primitive forms of the Church.

### *St. Gabriel's Church, Windsor.*

THE REV. ABEL NICHOLS, RECTOR.

The present incumbent assumed temporary charge of this Parish on the first of Sept. last, and in February following accepted the Rectorship. Since his connection with the Parish, there have been 4 Burials ; 1 Marriage ; 1 Baptism. Though there has been an accession of some Families to the parish, the losses by removal have just equaled the additions, so that the number is the same as when last reported. But notwithstanding this apparent want of increase, the Parish has been, and still is, on the advance. The attendance has become more regular, and the

principles and true character of the Church, more generally understood and appreciated. A class of 12 catechumens, and a Sunday School of, from 15 to 20 children, have had, (besides the instruction of faithful Teachers,) the constant personal care and training of the Rector, in the use of the service and in the knowledge of the doctrines of the Church. A debt of \$800 has been entirely extinguished by the parishoners, with the aid of \$150 from Christ and St. John's Churches, Hartford. The Ladies' Sewing Society has prosecuted its labor of charity with unremitting industry, and contributed largely to the pecuniary support of the parish. By the blessing of God the permanent establishment of this Church need no longer be regarded as problematical; though its advancement to mature strength must, from the peculiar character of the community by which it is surrounded, be necessarily gradual; requiring, perhaps, even years of patient faith, and prayerful labor.

*St. Mary's Church, Manchester.*

(No REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Farmington, (Unionville.)*

(No REPORT.)

THE REV. JOHN WILLIAMS, D.D.

Respectfully reports, that since his admission into the Diocese in September last, he has been occupied with his duties in Trinity College. He has also officiated frequently in vacant parishes, and in aid of several of his brethren; probably as often as on two Sundays out of three.

THE REV. A. JACKSON

Reports that during the past year he has attended to the duties of his professorship in Trinity College. He has also edited the Diocesan Paper—the *Calendar*. He also continued in charge of St. Mark's Church, New Britain, until the 19th of November, 1848, making in all about two years and seven months of labor in

**Contributions**—Christian Knowledge Society \$25; Nashotah Mission \$43; the Mission at Constantinople \$25; Domestic Missions \$25; to two feeble churches in the West \$20; to the Church in Milville, Mass. \$34; to the Seabury Monument \$15; for Missions in Maine \$15; for the Chickasaw Mission, by three members of the Parish, \$120; African Mission \$11 75; by members of the Parish for completing an iron fence around the Church \$70; for a similar purpose by the Ladies' Missionary Society \$48 38; through the same Society, as an Easter offering for the Nashotah Mission, \$47 35.

In addition to these sums may be mentioned the Communion Alms \$121 60; by a member of the Parish for the poor \$25; towards repairing the Parsonage, by three members of the Parish, \$180; for parochial purposes \$20; and the Sunday collections, appropriated towards liquidating the debts of the Parish \$170. Total \$1,016 08.

The present condition of the Parish is regarded as highly encouraging. During the past year several families have been added to our number, and the sittings of the Church are all taken.

### *Trinity Church, Portland.*

THE REV. SAMUEL M. EMORY, RECTOR.

Families 98. Baptisms—infants 12; adults 6; total 18. Communicants—added anew 12; died 3; present number 90. Confirmed 0. Marriages 5. Burials 13. Sunday School—teachers 15; scholars 87. Missionary and charitable contributions—for Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$17; for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen \$5; to a Clergyman in Philadelphia in aid of Church publications \$40; to the Domestic Committee for Wisconsin \$15; to the Foreign Committee for Constantinople \$10; for the Jews \$5; assessment for the "Seabury Monument" \$15; to a Church in Salem, Wayne county, Penn., composed in part of families who emigrated from Portland \$254; from an individual residing in the Parish to sundry Churches in the Diocese of Ohio \$123. Total \$484.

## *St. John's Church, Warehouse Point.*

THE REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

Families, 120. Baptisms—adult 1 ; infants 7 ; total 8. Confirmed 0. Marriages 10. Burials 4. Communicants—died 2 ; removed 5 ; repelled 1 ; added 6 ; present number 45.

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## *Grace Church, Broad Brook.*

THE REV. FRANCIS J. CLERO, RECTOR ELECT.

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*St. John's Church, Essex.***THE REV. SYLVESTER NASH, RECTOR.**

I took charge of this Parish Sept. 1st, 1848, at which time, by a careful inspection of the list of Communicants, the whole number was found to be 59. One has removed, one has died, and six have been added, making the present number 63. Marriages 1. Funerals 6; two of these were without the limits of the Parish.

*Union Church, North Killingworth.***THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, MINISTER.**

In addition to his other labors, in North Guilford and North Branford, in New Haven County, the Rev. Mr. Baldwin reports that he has officiated in North Killingworth 10 Sundays; given the Holy Communion 3 times; baptized 1 child; and attended 2 funerals. Contributions—to the Christian Knowledge Society \$1 34; to the Convention fund 50 cents.

This Parish has had for some time past only a name to live as it were, but from the disposition which its members now manifest it would seem that, with a little aid from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, this Church may be revived.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.***THE REV. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., RECTOR.**

Since my report in 1843, I have laboured incessantly for six years in one of the darkest regions and on one of the hardest soils, to which a Christian Missionary was ever called. Throughout the whole county of Middlesex, the inhabitants are generally unbaptized. The solitary interpretation of the Bible has divided them into numerous sects, hostile to each other, and agreeing in nothing but hatred for the Church, which they look upon as an emanation from Popery. Yet there are well disposed persons, and those numerous, intelligent, and piously inclined, who, if the Gospel is preached to them, are ready to embrace it. If cheap Churches can be built, and an Apostolic ministry sent to them they may be reclaimed and partake of the blessed privileges of God's

Church. During the past year I have been much aided by the untiring efforts of Mr. Frederick Sill, a candidate for Holy Orders. The present prospects are cheering. Several families have expressed their desire to unite steadily in our services. I have baptized one adult, and a number of children will shortly be presented. There is an average attendance of about forty ; which will undoubtedly be increased as soon as a Church can be built. A plan of a wooden Church, which will contain from 280 to 300 persons, has been gratuitously furnished by an able architect, the cost of which has been estimated at \$1,600, including stained glass windows. Under these favorable circumstances, I must again ask the co-operation of my brethren of the Clergy and Laity. My duty to the Church as Historiographer occupies all my time but Sundays. I can seek aid, therefore in no other way than by written appeals. Should a Missionary be appointed for Middlesex county and parts adjacent, and a Church built this summer, I have not the least doubt of great success. During the past year my little flock have contributed \$4 25 to Domestic, and \$1 to Foreign Missions. The offertory has been begun for every Sunday, and the proceeds are to be appropriated to the building of the Church, in faith and hope and patience. The number of communicants has received no addition since the last report, nor can till the Bishop visits us for Confirmation. That must depend on the erection of a suitable Church. At present we meet in a school house, which is very inconvenient for the administration of the Sacraments.

## New London County.

### *St. James' Church, New London.*

THE REV. ROBRET A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families 75. Baptisms—adults 4 ; children 14 ; total 18. Communicants—added anew 5 ; by removal 11 ; lost by death 2 ; by removal 8 ; present number 132. Marriages 6. Burials 13. Sunday School—teachers 15 ; scholars 65. Missionary and Charitable contributions—General Missionary Society \$95 ; Christian Knowledge Society \$35 50 ; Church Scholarship Society

\$25 ; St. Thomas West Indies, \$25 ; Nashtah \$25 ; Clergy Fund \$24 52 ;—total \$229 52.

Within the year a legacy of a deceased parishioner to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society has been paid, amounting to \$1392 25. Alms to the poor and contributions to our own local objects, generally liberal, are never reported from this Parish.

Last year by mistake no marriages or burials were reported. They were as follows : marriages 3 ; burials 12.

The condition of the Parish has not materially changed within the year.

### *Christ Church, Norwich.*

THE REV. WILLIAM F. MORGAN, RECTOR.

Families 248. Baptisms 37. Confirmed 17, during the year 37. Communicants—added by removal 12 ; anew 17 ; lost by death 2. Marriages 11. Burials 9. Sunday School—teachers 24 ; scholars about 120. Missionary and charitable contributions \$500.

The year has been an interesting and eventful one to the Parish, and demands from the Rector and his charge the warmest acknowledgments to the All-merciful Father, who has crowned it with undeserved blessings. The new Church has been brought to its present stage of completion, without the loss of life or limb, or any thing worthy of the name of accident. God be praised for this. It has developed great generosity and zeal on the part of parishioners, especially those composing the Building Committee, whose labors and offerings will yield their own return. From one of these gentlemen the Church will have received several thousand dollars, in addition to a very liberal subscription. The Church was consecrated by the Bishop on Wednesday, April 18th. On the evening of Thursday, the 19th, the pews were all sold ; such was the demand, that the number held in reserve by the Vestry were necessarily disposed of. Since this time the Church has been occupied to its entire capacity—sixty-one new pew-holders having been added to the list.

Under these circumstances, a movement has been made towards the formation of a new parish ; and as soon as a satisfactory ar-

range-ment can be made for the purchase of the former Church, the plan may be carried into effect. Should it not, however, the old Church will probably be opened at an early period as a Chapel within Christ Church Parish. The design of the new Church is not perfected : the tower and lecture room not having been erected ; but it is earnestly hoped by the Rector that no long period will elapse before these appendages, so needful to the beauty and convenience of the Church, will be added.

Of spiritual advancement in the Parish the Rector will not speak ; although he feels cheered by many unobtrusive tokens of increase and ripeness in holy living among those whom he serves. There has been, also, a decided improvement in the proprieties of worship, and in all those particulars which conduce to the beauty and effect of our Ritual. Young men constitute a very large and important part of this congregation, and greatly increase the responsibilities and anxieties of the Rector. During the past few months he has occasionally officiated at Greenville, where he invariably meets a warm-hearted and zealous band of Church people.

### *Calvary Church, Stonington.*

THE REV. J. M. WILLEY, RECTOR.

Families 45. Baptisms—infants 2. Communicants—added by removal 2 ; anew 1 ; lost by removal 1 ; by death 1 ; present number 18. Marriages 138. Burials 6. Sunday School—teachers 4 ; scholars 36.

The effort to establish the Church permanently in the Borough of Stonington seems now likely to be attended with complete success. Though commenced in weakness and continued with no ordinary opposition, our services are commending themselves to the affections, and our doctrines are gaining the confidence, of the community. The attendance upon the Sunday services is always good, and the number who assemble to join in the Church's Prayers on all the Festivals and Fasts is larger than we could reasonably have anticipated. This portion of the State having been in early days entirely surrendered to the ministrations of the Baptists, the prejudices of the people against the Baptism of infants are almost insuperable. We are encouraged, however, to think that by the gene-

ral circulation of useful reading upon this subject, and by frequent fireside conversations, the prejudices of the community are gradually subsiding.

Since the last Convention a neat and chaste Church edifice has been erected, which is already nearly filled with a devout and attentive congregation. In the accomplishment of this object the Parish has received valuable aid from several parishes of the Diocese, which will be specially acknowledged as soon as the Rector has finished his work, and discharged the pecuniary liabilities now resting upon him. He cannot, however, omit at this time to record an expression of gratitude to the distinguished Architect, Mr. Upjohn, to whom we can never discharge our obligations for his unremitting attentions to this Parish in its days of poverty and weakness.

### *Christ Church, Salem.*

(No Report.)

### *St. James' Church, Poquetanock.*

THE REV. HENRY FLOY ROBERTS, RECTOR.

Families 40. Baptisms 0. Communicants—lost by death 1; present number 59. Marriages 4. Burials 7. Missionary and other collections—Domestic Missions \$10; for aged and infirm Clergy \$2 10; Bishop's Salary \$2 64; Convention expences \$2 16; Stonington Mission \$8; making a total of \$24 91.

During the year the ladies of the Parish have been diligent in their endeavors to aid in supporting the Church, and have contributed \$150 towards liquidating the debt on the Rectory.

THE REV. JOHN J. BRANDEGEE,

Rector of All Saints' Church, St. Thomas, West Indies, reports, that his official acts during the past year have been as follows: Baptisms—infants 74. Burials 48. Marriages 17. One hundred and fifty persons were confirmed at the visitation of the Bishop. The present number of communicants is about 800. The Sunday School continues about the same, not allowing of further

enlargement with present means of accommodation. Within the year a suitable Church edifice has been erected and consecrated. The building is not yet completed for want of means. The Church is open for Divine Service on Wednesdays and Fridays, and on all the Festivals and Fasts. The Holy Eucharist is administered on the principal Festivals, as well as on the first Sunday of every month. The children are catechised weekly.

The field of usefulness opened to us is broad and encouraging. Our poverty stands mainly in the way of its proper cultivation. If we had means to finish our Church and to erect a school house, a vast amount of real and permanent good might be accomplished. As it is, we can only hope and pray that the patient and diligent use of the means within our reach may be blessed to the advancement of the congregation in the knowledge and obedience of the truth, and to the reformation of the worldliness and vice which have been so long accumulating, and gaining strength in our midst.

## **New Haven County.**

### ***Trinity Church, New Haven.***

THE REV. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR.

THE REV. THOMAS CLAPP PITKIN, ASSOCIATE RECTOR.

Whole number of families about 400. Communicants—added anew 42; present number about 475. Baptisms—adults 3; children 39; total 42. Marriages 19. Burials, (of which 19 were of communicants,) 53. Sunday School—teachers 31; catechumens 253. Contributions for Missionary and other charitable purposes, including offerings and offertory, \$1,709 30.

### ***St. Paul's Church, New Haven.***

THE REV. S. COOKE, RECTOR.

Families 280. Baptisms—adults 2; infants 12; total 14. Confirmed 28. Communicants—admitted 34; received 30; total added 64; removed 25; died 3; present number 350. Marriages 10. Burials 24. Sunday School scholars 200.

The following appropriations have been made within the diocesan year: Domestic Missions \$434; Foreign Missions \$474; Christian Knowledge Society \$100; to aid Churches within the Diocese \$123 50; New Haven Orphan Asylum \$227 16; Church Scholarship Society \$50; for the relief of aged and infirm Clergy 50; Prayer Books for Sailors \$60; Parish Sunday School \$50; Bibles, Prayer Books, and Tracts \$30; Communion offerings \$224 41; total \$1,823 07.

*St. Thomas' Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.

Families 54. Baptisms—children 15. Communicants—admitted and received 21; removed 6; died 3; present number 59. Marriages 3. Burials 15. Sunday School—scholars 80; teachers 12.

The want of a suitable edifice has prevented the greater increase of this Parish. To supply this want a temporary Chapel is now in the course of erection, and will be ready for occupancy in the month of August. It will contain sittings for about 500 people, which are to be rented, like the pews in other churches, to meet the current expenditures. These expenditures have hitherto been defrayed, in part, by the voluntary contributions of the people, received at each occasion of public service. Being in some sense a Missionary Church we have been obliged to content ourselves with the minor beatitude contemplated in the words—"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

*St. Luke's Church, New Haven.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. James' Church, Fair Haven.*

THE REV. WILLIAM E. VIBBERT, RECTOR.

Families 68. Baptisms—infants and children 9; adults 7; total 16. Confirmed 17. Communicants—added by removal 5; anew 16; lost by removal 4; by death 1; present number 58. Marriages 7. Buri-

als 7. Sunday School—teachers 8 ; scholars between 40 and 50. Contributions—for objects within the Parish \$70 30 ; Foreign and Domestic Missions \$52 99 ; Seabury Monument \$5 25 ; Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$5 ; aged and infirm Clergymen \$9 06 ; Convention Fund \$4 50 ; total \$147 10.

By the Divine blessing this Parish still continues to enjoy its usual degree of prosperity. Pledges on the part of several of the parishioners have been given for the liquidation of the Church debt ; and during the past Conventional year, a Parish Library has been formed, now numbering 150 volumes.

THE REV. STEPHEN JEWETT.

My labors, during the year ending this day, have been much the same as stated in my last year's report. On the first Sunday in every month I assist the Rev. Mr. Cooke, of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, in the administration of the Holy Communion.

On the 24th day of September last, at Poultney, Vermont, I baptized the infant son of the Rev. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. John's Church in that town.

### *St. James' Church, Westville.*

THE REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families 40. Baptisms—infants and children 7. Confirmed 2. Communicants—added by removal 2 ; anew 4 ; lost by death 2 ; by removal 1 ; present number 40. Marriages 1. Burials 10. Sunday School—teachers 6 ; scholars 30. Monthly Offerings, and Communion Alms for Missionary and charitable objects, \$30 84, appropriated as follows : to Domestic Missions \$5 ; to Foreign Missions \$2 ; to the Seabury Monument \$5 ; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$4 ; to the Fund for aged and infirm Clergymen \$3 ; Convention expences \$2 25 ; County assessment \$1 15 ; and the balance to the charities and uses of the Parish.

After an absence of about three years from this Diocese, I was induced, chiefly by the ill health of my family, to resume the Rectorship of this Parish, and entered upon its duties the second Sunday in July, 1848, (3d Sunday after Trinity.) The foregoing sta-



tistics, therefore, are only from that period to the present Convention.

There is little of special importance to record concerning this small and struggling Parish, except to say that it has been its portion for a long period, under the Divine will and permission, to suffer severely by deaths and removals, requiring, in consequence, a large measure of grace on the part of those who remain, to enable them to bow with pious submission to the all-wise decrees of Him who judgeth righteously.

One circumstance of interest, of a temporal nature, for which we desire to thank God, is, that measures are in progress for a speedy extinguishment of the Church debt, which, from the first, has seriously impeded the growth of the Parish, and oftentimes disheartened its true friends.

Should this long sought relief from pecuniary embarrassment be realized, we shall then only need that better spiritual gift which maketh rich, and addeth no sorrow.

### *Christ Church, East Haven.*

THE REV. N. S. RICHARDSON, MINISTER

Respectfully reports, that since the last Convention his attention has been so engrossed by other duties, that he has performed little parochial labor. He has, however, officiated, with some regularity, for the Parish of Christ Church, East Haven, where he is still engaged a portion of the time. There are about forty families nominally connected with this Parish, and about 35 communicants. I have officiated at seven burials, and two marriages. With the aid of a Candidate for Holy Orders, as lay-reader, the Church is opened for Divine Service on every Lord's day during the summer months.

### *Christ Church, West Haven.*

THE REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Families reported in 1848, 51 ; lost 4 ; added 6 ; present number 53. Baptisms—infants and children 2. Communicants—reported in 1848, 65 ; lost by death 3 ; by removal 1 ; added by re-

moval 7 ; anew 1 ; present number 69. Marriages 4 ; Burials 4 ; Sunday School—teachers 8 ; scholars 52. Charitable contributions—Monthly offerings \$14 60 ; Christmas offering for General Board of Missions \$6 ; Whitsunday offering for Prayer Books for children of the Sunday School 4 50 ; other collections \$13 69 ; the latter has been expended for Sunday School instruction and library books, for Prayer Books for distribution, and other incidental expences. Total \$38 79. The Monthly offerings, which have recently been introduced, are by vote of the Parish, to be divided as follows : of all sums, not specially appropriated by the donors, one half is to be given to the Christian Knowledge Society, and the other half is to be divided equally between the Church Scholarship Society, the Fund for the support of aged and infirm Clergymen, and the Foreign and Domestic Departments of the General Missions of the Church. Of the burials reported, three were aged female communicants, whose average ages were eighty, and who had severally been communicants more than half a century.

### *Union Church, Humphreysville.*

THE REV. W. F. WALKER, RECTOR.

Families 104. Catechumens 60. Baptisms—adults 9 ; children 29 ; total 38. Confirmed 47. Marriages 5. Burials 8. Communicants—added anew 57 ; by removal 10 ; lost by death 2 ; present number 134.

The present Rector took charge of this Parish on the 1st of September last. The people evince a lively interest in the Church, are kind, and, through God's blessing, are well disposed in regard to duty.

The Church has been opened twice on Sundays, and once on Holy Days. In addition, Divine service has been celebrated once and sometimes twice on Sundays, and, generally, twice in the week, in the school districts of the Parish. The aggregate of services performed by the Rector have been 204. The Holy Communion has been administered on the first Sunday of each month since the Rector's institution, and on the Festivals of Christmas, Easter, Ascension, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday. The offertory has been used, with most happy results, each Sunday morning.

The children have been instructed by the Rector every Sunday; and have been catechised by him, openly before the congregation, after Evening Prayer and before the Sermon, on the first Sunday in each month.

### *Grace Church, Hamden.*

THE REV. C. W. EVEREST, RECTOR.

Families 54. Baptisms—infants 3; adult 1; total 4. Confirmed 12. Communicants—added by removal 2; anew 4; lost by death 2; present number 85. Marriages 1. Burials 6. Sunday School—teachers 9; scholars 40. Bible Class 12. Collections for Missions \$34 91.

The state of the Parish throughout the past year has verified the hopes which were expressed in my last report. The congregation has steadily increased; and a more earnest love has been evinced for the Church and her holy ways.

### *St. George's Church, Milford.*

THE REV. JAMES DIXON CARDER, RECTOR.

Families (about) 40. Baptisms—children 0; adult 1. Confirmed 9. Communicants—added by return to communion 2; by removal 6; anew 9; lost by death 0; by removal 3; present number 62. Sunday School—teachers 11; scholars 43. Collections made in time of Divine service—for the Christian Knowledge Society \$4 50; for the Church Scholarship Society \$4; for the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund \$2 60; for the Convention Fund (canonical assessment) \$2 38; for the New York Bible and Prayer Book, and Tract Societies (Church) \$5; for Domestic Missions (of which for the Nashotah Mission \$3) \$8 25; for Foreign Missions (Constantinople) \$3; for a Sunday School Library, and Books of instruction (of which from the S. S. children \$2 81) \$15 66; for preparation for a Ladies' Fair, to be held for the benefit of the new Church, \$5 75; Communion Alms, (after deducting \$15 74 included in the foregoing items, \$21 63. Total \$72 78.

No confirmation should have been reported by me last year. The

number then stated were confirmed just before the previous Convention, and were included in the report of my predecessor.

The Communion is administered on the great Feasts for which proper Prefaces are appointed, and on the first Sunday of each month.

Morning and Evening Prayer is said on all the Feasts; on Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent; and daily in Holy Week.

The Rector takes the immediate supervision of the Sunday School, and openly catechizes the children of the Parish once a month.

The old Church, which was found to be in a state of rapid decay, was taken down in Easter Week. On St. Philip and St. James' Day, the Bishop of the Diocese laid the corner stone of a new Church, to be built of stone, which is now in progress of erection, under contracts for the masonry and roof. When the work shall have proceeded so far, the means at the disposal of the Parish will be exhausted. But it is confidently believed that the great efforts which are here making to revive and establish a Parish that for more than half a century has been regarded as one of the feeblest in the Diocese, will awaken general interest; and that applications for aid in completing the work, (to be made under the sanction of the Bishop, already given,) will be kindly received and generously answered.

THE REV. N. S. WHEATON, D. D.,

Respectfully reports, that he took the temporary charge of the Parish of Meriden, vacated by the removal of the Rev. C. Munson, on the 25th of June, 1848; and continued his ministrations till April 21st, 1849. His official acts in that time are as follows: Baptisms—infants 9. Marriages 4. Burials 8. Communicants—added by removal 2; anew 6; lost by removal 2; by death 5; present number 131. Families 80.

### *St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.*

THE REV. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, RECTOR,

Respectfully reports, that he entered upon his duties, as Rector

of this Parish, on the 2d Sunday after Easter. He has the following additions to make to the preceding report: 1 infant Baptism. 1 Burial. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 50. Monthly contributions for Missionary and other objects beyond the limits of the Parish, \$43 76.

The new Church, in the erection of which this Parish has been engaged during the past year, is nearly completed. It is hoped that it will be ready for Consecration in September.

### *St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.*

THE REV. ROBERT C. ROGERS, (DEACON,) MINISTER.

I entered upon my duties in this Parish in September last. The present Report, however, embraces the whole of the past Conventional year.

Families 108. Baptisms—adults 3; children 9; total 12. Confirmed 3. Communicants—added by removal 8; anew 3; lost by removal 5; by death 4; present number 110. Marriages 2. Burials 12. Missionary and charitable contributions \$20 02.

Since my connection with this Parish, the Holy Communion has been administered here, on various occasions, by the Rev. Mr. Paddock, of the Cheshire Academy, and by the Rev. Mr. Clark, of St. John's, Waterbury.

### *Christ Church, Bethany.*

THE REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 31; adults 4; total 35. Confirmed 6. Communicants—added by removal 2; anew 8; lost by removal 5; by death 2; present number 134. Marriages 4. Burials 13. Sunday School—teachers 16; scholars 100. The Parish, besides meeting its ordinary expenses, has raised the past year about \$100, which, with \$25 contributed by St John's Church, Waterbury, was sufficient to liquidate entirely the Church debt.

A good degree of harmony prevails among the members of the Parish, and the Rector is encouraged in the discharge of his duties by an increased attendance on the public services of the sanctuary, and a commendable interest in spiritual things.

## ***Christ Church, Derby.***

THE REV. C. PUTNAM, RECTOR.

Families 74. Baptisms—infants 14 ; adults 2 ; total 16. Confirmed 16. Communicants—lost by death 3 ; by removal 18 ; added 4 ; present number 74. Marriages 4. Burials 15. Sunday School—teachers 10 ; scholars 59. The small number of Communicants added, is explained by the fact of the Holy Communion not having been administered since the Visitation of the Bishop.

The general condition of the Parish is prosperous, though it has suffered some by removals, especially by that of Moses White, Esq., to whose constant liberality and interest in its concerns it is in a great measure indebted for its present prosperity.

By the aid of the County Clerical Association, a Hall has been procured in the growing manufacturing village of Ansonia ; and, with the assistance of the neighboring Clergy, services have been held there every Sunday evening since December last, with the most favorable prospects of success in planting the Church in this portion of the Parish.

## ***St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.***

THE REV. H. BRYANT, RECTOR.

Families about 80. Baptisms—(one extra-parochial) infants 9 ; adult 1 ; total 10. Communicants—added anew 2 ; lost by death 2 ; by removal 1 ; present number 112. Marriages 6. Burials 9 ; one of which was in a neighboring Parish.

While in regard to the temporal condition of this Parish, as compared with former years, there is much to encourage, and to be thankful for, the Rector regrets to add that, in temporal things, there does not appear to be a corresponding improvement. It is hoped that the "good seed" is germinating unseen, and that ere long it may appear in more visible fruits.

## ***Christ Church, Guilford.***

THE REV. LORENZO T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families 65. Baptisms—adults 2. Communicants 101. Marriages 6. Burials 8. Monthly offerings for purposes extra-parochial, exclusive of a collection for the Infirm Clergy fund, \$45 68.

With regard to the circumstances of this Parish, the Rector can report no extraordinary changes either of prosperity or adversity. The attendance on the ministrations of the Lord's day is gradually increasing; a devout demeanor characterizes his parishioners generally; and he trusts that the means of grace afforded in the Church on earth are so improved by many, that they are ripening and maturing thereby for elevated stations in the Church in glory.

## ***St. John's Church, Waterbury.***

THE REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

Families 230. Baptisms—infants 47; adults 14; whole number 61. Confirmed 34. Communicants—added by removal 23; anew 36; lost by removal 18; by death 12; present number 375. Marriages 11. Burials 35; four of these were extra-parochial, and will probably be included in other reports. Sunday School—teachers 54; scholars 250. A weekly offering is made by the Sunday School and appropriated to a mission station in the Diocese of Illinois, which is under the charge of a Minister who, a few years since, was a faithful teacher in our Sunday School.

The following disbursements of money raised for objects without the parish, have been made:—to the Domestic department of our Missionary Society, including aid to several Churches being erected within the sphere of the Society's operations, \$266 50; to the Foreign department \$220; to aid Churches within our own Diocese \$205 64; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$75; to the Church Scholarship Society \$122; for the benefit of Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$21 23; for the Seabury Monument \$20; for other benevolent objects of the Church \$86; in the treasury \$43 02; total \$1,059 39.

To the Apostolic plan of weekly offerings, which has been in

operation in this Parish during the last fifteen years, we are largely indebted for the aggregate which is here realized for works of benevolence. By this plan the poorest are enabled to do something, while it places the rich under no restraint. The patient and unwearied labors of the ladies, too, in their several sewing circles, have accomplished much. About \$1800 has been raised by them in money, in this humble way, while much relief has been given to the poor, since the present Rector took charge of the Parish.

### *St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.*

THE REV. JOSEPH H. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families 58. Communicants—died 1; added anew 4; present number 78. Confirmed 4. Marriages 2. Burials 9. Children of the catechetical class 25.

The following sums have been raised in this Parish since the last Convention: Monthly Offerings for Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$62,72; by the Ladies' Society for parochial objects, \$63,99; by the Nashotah Society for the Nashotah Mission, \$40; total \$166 71.

### *Trinity Church, Branford.*

THE REV. FREDERICK MILLER, RECTOR.

Families 87. Baptisms—infants 8. Communicants, added anew 3; by removal 6; lost by death 5; by removal 4; present number 122. Marriages 0. Burials 15. Sunday School—teachers 16; Scholars about 75. Contributions for Missionary and charitable purposes \$119 79.

The Parish continues united, and as prosperous as could be expected under existing circumstances. The Church building has become old and dilapidated, and many doubtless, especially among the young, would attend our services in a "holy and beautiful house," who now find a home elsewhere. It is believed that the interests of the Parish demand the speedy erection of a suitable Church; and it is hoped that, by the blessing of God, it will before long be accomplished to the glory of His name.



elsewhere the last half of the year. It is deemed expedient to maintain services here as constantly as possible, in order that the Church system may be kept before the people of this place.

### *Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.*

THE REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, MINISTER.

Families 62. Baptisms—adult 1; infant 1; total 2. Communicants—added anew 5; lost by removal 1; by death 1; present number 29. Contributions about \$30.

I have officiated in this Parish one half of the Sundays since Easter, and am happy to state that it is entirely united, and that its members are disposed to do all that they can to strengthen and extend the Church.

I desire, also, to record the grateful remembrance in which the labors of their late Rector are held by this people.

### *Trinity Church, Woodbridge.*

(NO REPORT.)

### *Episcopal Academy of Connecticut.*

THE REV. S. B. PADDOCK, PRINCIPAL.

The Principal gratefully reports the prosperous condition of this ancient Church Institution. He has been assisted the past year constantly by a graduate of Trinity College, and a portion of the time also by an under-graduate.

There has been the same number of pupils as in the preceding year, viz; 64. Sunday Evening Lectures have been continued; and correct moral deportment has, almost without exception, characterized the students.

Examinations, of three days' continuance, have been held at the close of each term, attended by some of the Trustees, and literary gentlemen from the village.

A Philosophical apparatus has been purchased with the avails of the Library, agreeably to the vote of the Trustee's at their last annual meeting.

***St. John's Church, North Guilford.***

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR

Families 38. Communicants 42. Baptisms—children 2. Marriages 3. Burials 5. Sunday School—scholars 20; teachers 4. Contributions \$14 25.

During the Conventional year this Church has had the services of a Clergyman twenty-seven Sundays, and on a number of the Festivals and Fasts. Great praise is due to the ladies for their exertions in renovating and beautifying the interior of God's house. Thus helping themselves, others have been induced to aid them. The new reading Desk has been furnished with a neat Bible and Prayer Book, and the Chancel with an Altar piece. Other valuable gifts from those not belonging to the Parish have been received.

***Zion Church, North Branford.***

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, MINISTER.

I have officiated fourteen Sundays in Zion Church, North Branford, and administered the Communion five times. The members of this little flock have contributed \$3 30 to the Christian Knowledge Society. They have also shingled their house of worship the past year, at an expense of nearly \$90.

***St. Peter's Church, Oxford.***

(No REPORT.)

***St. John's Church, North Haven.***

(No REPORT.)

***Church of the Resurrection, Southbury.***

THE REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE

Reports, that services in this Parish have been held less frequently of late than formerly, in consequence of his being engaged

## *Trinity Church, Fairfield.*

THE REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families 108. Baptisms—adults 2 ; infants 30 ; total 32. Confirmed 0. Communicants—added anew 4 ; by removal 7 ; lost by death 4 ; by removal 2 ; present number 199. Marriages 6 ; Burials 21. Bible Class 25. Sunday scholars 100. Missionary and charitable contributions, including alms at communion, \$287 34.

Of the number of children baptized, twelve belong to families accustomed formerly to attend public worship in the old Church at Weston, now Easton ; and of the persons buried, nine were not members of my Parish.

Within a few months past, our arrangements for public worship have been much improved by an excellent organ, from the manufactory of Mr. Jardine, and by an enlargement of the gallery. But the external growth, and the spiritual prosperity of this Parish, are, at present, much impeded by the want of ample room for families.

## *Christ Church, Greenwich, and Emmanuel Chapel, Glenville.*

THE REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Families—added 2 ; removed 3. Baptisms—infants 5 ; adults 3 ; total 8. Confirmed 12. Communicants—added 15 ; removed 5. Marriages 2. Burials 6. Missionary contributions \$77 70.

In December 1848, the Rev. Horace Hills, Jun., removed to Newtown, since which time I have officiated every Sunday evening in Glenville, as in years past.

## *Christ Church, Stratford.*

THE REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, RECTOR.

Families 103. Baptisms—adult 1 ; infants 2 ; total 3. Marriages 7. Burials 12. Communicants—added anew 3 ; lost by death 1 ; by removal 4 ; present number 103. Sunday School—

scholars 50 ; teachers 8. Monthly Offerings \$117 28, which have been appropriated as follows : to Calvary Church, Stonington \$20 ; to Clerical Relief Fund \$15 27 ; to Christian Knowledge Society \$17 81 ; to General Missions of the Church \$64 20.

### *St. Thomas' Church, Bethel.*

THE REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

Families—removed 5 ; added 4 ; present number 55. Baptisms—infants 12 ; adults 6 ; total 18. Confirmed 13. Communicants—removed 7 ; died 2 ; added 6 ; present number 77. Burials 13.

During the last year, it will be observed, this Parish has lost several families and communicants by removal. This, together with depression in business, has somewhat affected its temporal interests. Notwithstanding these circumstances, its real strength is by no means impaired. The Rector is happy to report that a Parsonage, pleasantly situated near to the Church, is now the property of the Parish. The Holy Eucharist has been but once administered since the Bishop's visitation. It is expected that all who were lately Confirmed, will ere long be added to the Communion.

### *St. John's Church, Stamford.*

THE REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D., RECTOR.

Families about 114. Baptisms—infants 21 ; adults 3 ; total 24. Marriages 3. Burials 7. Sunday School—teachers 7 ; scholars about 70. Communicants—added anew 6 ; by removal 9 ; lost by death 2 ; present number about 150. Missionary and charitable contributions—Christian Knowledge Society \$82 80 ; to other Church objects \$220 40 ; total \$303 20.

### *St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.*

THE REV. H. D. NOBLE, RECTOR.

Families 80. Baptisms—infants and children 8 ; adult 1 ; total 9. Confirmed 8. Communicants—added anew 7 ; lost by death 5 ; by removal 5 ; repelled 2 ; present number 104. Mar-

riages 5. Burials 10. Sunday School—teachers 10; scholars 50; Bible class during the season 25. Monthly Offerings since Easter, 1848, \$125. Communion alms, \$25; total \$150.

In connection with the charitable contributions of this Parish, it may be proper to state, that, by the will of Mrs. Amy Peck, deceased since the last Convention, the following bequests have been made, *viz*: to the Church Scholarship Society of this Diocese, \$300; to the Christian Knowledge Society \$300; and to each of the General Missionary Departments \$300; in all \$1200.

It is believed that the Parish is at present enjoying a good degree of prosperity. During the last year, a debt, which has long operated to its disadvantage, has been greatly diminished; one hundred dollars of the Monthly Offerings having been applied in this way. During the same period, the attendance upon the services of God's house has certainly been as good as at any time since the present incumbent entered upon the duties of his charge; while a commendable degree of interest has been manifested with regard to both the temporal and spiritual affairs of the Church. In view of these circumstances, there is reason to thank God and take courage.

THE REV. SABURA S. STOCKING.

Agreeably to the requisition of Canon X, (1838,) I report to my Rt. Rev. Diocesan, that since my relinquishment of Trinity Parish, Newtown, in September last, I have been residing in the city of New York under medical treatment for the laryngeal disease with which I have been so long afflicted. Although not entirely cured, I have, by the advice of my physician, officiated regularly on Sundays during the last two months, without much inconvenience. From this experiment, I am induced to believe, that I shall be able soon to resume the public duties of the Ministry, in some more permanent and settled relations.

### *St. Mathew's Church, Wilton.*

THE REV. TIMOTHY WILCOXSON, (DEACON,) MINISTER.

I began to officiate in this Parish on the first Sunday in September, 1848.

The number of families is 38. Baptisms—infants 2. Confirmed, (one in Munroe,) 3. Communicants—died 2; added anew 4; present number 51. Marriages 3. Burials 7. Sunday School—teachers 5; scholars about 25. Offerings—Communion Alms \$16 04; for Parochial objects \$12 99; Foreign Missions \$5; Domestic Missions \$6; Christian Knowledge Society \$3 50; Infirm Clergymen \$3; total \$46 53.

### *St. Peter's Church, Monroe.*

THE REV. J. H. BETTS, RECTOR.

Families 64. Baptisms—adults 2. Confirmed 8. Communicants—added by removal 1; anew 4; died 4; lost by marriage 1; present number 90. Marriages 1. Burials 10. Sunday School—teachers 6; scholars 35.

The Monthly Offerings have amounted to \$28 77. The proceeds of the Ladies' Sewing Society have been \$65 40; the Communion Alms \$18 30. Whole amount of contributions, exclusive of the salary, \$112 47.

This Parish acknowledges with gratitude, a valuable present of two beautiful Chandeliers, and two Candelabra, the cost of which was \$200, from George Lewis, Esq., of New York.

The Church has been opened for divine service on most of the Holy Days, and the attendance has been generally very respectable.

### *St. James' Church, Danbury.*

THE REV. WM. WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.

Families 60. Baptisms—adults 12; infants 5; total 17. Confirmed 20. Communicants—departed this life 5; removed 4; added by removal 3; anew 17; present number 74. Marriages 2. Burials—adults 11; infants 2; total 13. Sunday School—teachers 9; children 48. Alms and offerings \$101.

The Parish has procured a beautiful stone Font, at a cost of \$50. The design was kindly furnished by a member of the "New York Ecclesiological Society," the work being executed by Messrs. Fisher & Bird, 287 Bowery, New York.

## ***St. Paul's Church, Huntington.***

**THE REV. CHARLES J. TODD, MINISTER.**

Families 57. Baptisms—infants 2. Communicants—added 4; removed by death 4; present number 66. Marriages 7. Burials 10. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 29. Contributions for charitable purposes \$16; for Foreign Missions \$3; Domestic Missions \$6; total \$24.

## ***Christ Church, Westport.***

**THE REV. WILLIAM H. FRISBIE, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults 4; children 16; total 20. Confirmed 16. Communicants—added by removal 3; anew 15; lost by removal 2; by death 2; present number 97. Marriages 2. Burials 12. Charitable contributions—for Nashotah \$17; for Domestic Missions \$7 28; for Christian Knowledge Society \$10; for Winsted Church \$25; for Seabury Monument \$5; total \$64 28.

The present incumbent took charge of this Parish on the second Sunday after Trinity, 1848; having previously resigned the charge of Christ Church, Bethlehem. The Parish is believed to be in a healthy state.

## ***Grace Church, (Long Hill,) Trumbull.***

**THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, RECTOR.**

This Parish has now full services; is perfectly united; and is apparently in a flourishing condition.

Families about 50. Baptisms—infants 12; adults 8; in all 20. Confirmed 10. Communicants about 50. Marriages 1, (performed by request,) in the Parish of Newtown. Burials 4. Collections, for purposes without the Parish, \$18 75.

## ***Christ Church, (Tashua,) Trumbull.***

THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, LATE RECTOR.

I resigned this Parish at Easter, as I am now giving all my time to the Parish at Long Hill. From the last Convention to the date of my resignation I baptized 12 persons ; solemnized 1 marriage ; performed 4 burials. Three persons were confirmed at the last visitation of the Bishop. Collections, for purposes without the Parish, \$15 95.

### **— *Church at Easton.***

THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, MINISTER.

This old Parish has been for a long time without services ; but its members are now contemplating the erection of a new Church.

By request of the Parish, I have, since Easter, taken the oversight of it ; officiating there at a third service on every alternate Sunday, either at the Academy or in a School House. I have also solemnized 1 marriage there. Families, according to a list from the Clerk of the Parish, 26. Communicants 15.

## ***Trinity Church, Newtown.***

THE REV. HORACE HILLS, JUN., RECTOR.

The Rector entered upon his duties the 1st Sunday after Epiphany, January 7th, 1849. The following report of the Parish is nearly accurate :

Families 228 ; Baptisms—infants and children 16 ; adults 6 ; total 22. Confirmed 18. Communicants—added by removal 2 ; anew 20 ; lost by death 6 ; present number 202. Marriages 6. Burials 14. Sunday School—teachers 29 ; scholars 140. Contributions—Christian Knowledge Society \$9 ; to the Jews \$13 ; Bishop Southgate \$12 ; N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society \$9 55 ; Ladies' Missionary Association \$24 ; total \$67 55.

The spiritual condition of the Parish is highly encouraging ; for which token of the Divine favor I renewedly give myself to the glorious work of winning souls to Christ.



## *Christ Church, Reading.*

THE REV. J. P. TAYLOR, RECTOR.

Families 50. Infant Baptisms 7. Communicants—added by removal 2; by return to communion 3; anew 15; whole number added 20; departed this life 3; present number 63. Confirmed 16. Marriages 1. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 10; scholars 50. Alms and offerings \$41 04.

Since my last report this Parish has been presented with an elegant Altar Service. It is wrought in fine sterling silver, and consists of a Cruet, Chalice and Paten. The designs were copied out of the "Instrumenta Ecclesiastica," a publication of the English Ecclesiological Society, and the work executed by C. Stewart, 13 John street, New York. Cost \$104. The Cruet is the gift of the female communicants; the Chalice and Paten are the joint offerings of two friends whose names may not be mentioned.

My personal thanks are due to Rev. Dr. Mead, and Rev. Messrs. Betts, Bronson, G. W. Nichols, Ogden, Olmstead, Purves, Stocking, and Yarrington, for supplying this Church with Sunday services during three months, when, from injuries received in being thrown from a carriage, I could do nothing for myself. I owe a debt of gratitude also to Dr. N. D. Haight, of Stamford, and Dr. Mead of Greenwich, to whose medical skill, under God, I attribute the preservation of my life; and to the families of Mr. Theodore Mead and Rev. Mr. Yarrington for their Christian sympathy and unsparing kindness to me while in this state of weakness and suffering.

## *St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.*

THE REV. HENRY OLMSTED, RECTOR.

Families 97. Baptisms—infants 5. Confirmed 3. Communicants—added by removal 3; anew 4; lost by removal 2; by death 4; present number 151. Marriages 5. Burials 6. Sunday School teachers and scholars 50. Offerings for objects without the Parish \$45 20. Communion Alms \$40.

In addition to the usual Sunday Services, the Church has been open for Prayers on all Holy Days; on each Wednesday

and Friday during Lent ; and on every day of Passion Week ; and although these services have been by no means as generally attended as they ought to have been, yet some have seemed to love them, and all have been constantly reminded thereby that the Church regards frequent Prayer in the Sanctuary as truly necessary to our spiritual health and increase.

*St. Marks' Church, New Canaan.*

THE REV. D. H. SHORT, RECTOR.

Families 65. Baptisms—adults 7 ; infants 12 ; total 19. Confirmed 13. Marriages 3. Burials 11. Communicants—added anew 10 ; by removal 4 ; lost by death 2 ; by removal 7 ; present number 96. So many of the children and youth as are sent to the Minister are once in four weeks, on Sunday, openly in the Church instructed and examined in some part of the Church Catechism. The Offerings of the Church amount to \$46 80, of which \$23 88 have been applied to Church objects without the Parish. The attendance, upon the Lord's Day, has been more regular and larger than formerly. A greater number of seats have been taken than for several years. The Communicants have been more constant and devout in their reception of the Holy Eucharist. The deep solemnity which pervades the congregation at these holy seasons, is truly gratifying ; and the large proportion of the people of the Parish who have received the consecrated symbols of their Saviour's love, at least once during the year, is thought to be worthy of note—not less than ninety persons belonging to this Church having Communed since the last Convention. All the Communicants, except two or three, who have been able to attend the Church at all, have participated in this Sacrament. And although this may not be an infallible evidence of increase in true piety and devotion, or of soundness in the faith, or of a right sense of moral obligation, yet it is charitably to be hoped, that those who are faithful in this duty will not be negligent of others which belong to their Christian calling, but will show themselves more earnest than those who neglect their privileges. The unanimity and good feeling mentioned in our last report, still continue ; and to this fact among other things, under the kind Providence of the Almighty, we

attribute the increasing prosperity manifest in this Parish. Not unto the instrument, but unto His name who giveth the increase, and from whose hand comes every blessing, be all the glory.

### *St. James' Church, Zoar.*

THE REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, LATE MINISTER.

My connection with this Parish terminated the 1st of October last. I am not able to give statistics : but would say, that this Parish presents in my judgment one of the most encouraging fields for Missionary labor in which one could desire to engage. It is my earnest desire that a minister may be sent to it and sustained till some permanent improvement can be effected. We cannot reasonably expect to receive God's blessing, as a Church, while we negligently suffer any part of His Vineyard around us to lie waste.

### — *Church, Weston.*

THE REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, RECTOR.

Families about 30. Baptisms—infant 1 ; adults 5 ; total 5. Confirmed 9. Communicants—added anew 9 ; present number about 30. Burials 5. The Sunday School and Bible Class are not fully organized for the summer, but there will probably be as many attendants as last year. Missionary contributions \$7, appropriated as follows : to General Missionary Society \$2 ; to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge \$5. The above statistics include only those who attend services at Emmanuel Church.

## Litchfield County.

### *St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.*

THE REV. SAMUEL FULLER, D. D., RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 13 ; adults 4 ; total 17. Communicants—added by removal 7 ; anew 1 ; lost by removal 8 ; by death 3 ; present number 144. Marriages 3. Burials 10. Sun-

day School—teachers 17 ; pupils 100. Missionary and other contributions—Christian Knowledge Society \$30 23 ; Domestic Missions \$17 ; Foreign Missions \$32 ; Parish objects \$60 20 ; Church at Winstead \$14 62 ; total \$154 05.

The urgent want mentioned in former reports is still very severely felt : that of more sittings, and a Sunday School House, and a Lecture Room. Indeed, the congregation can increase no more until either the present contracted and inconvenient building be enlarged and rendered comfortable ; or, what would be far better, a new Church, such as the best interests of the community, and of the cause of Christ in this important place demands, be erected. The present wooden Church, built towards half a century since, and now the poorest in the whole county, has barely sixty-two small and uncomfortable pews, which can conveniently seat only about 250 persons ; while a substantial edifice is greatly needed, which would both adequately accommodate the one hundred families attached to the congregation, and also admit of any additions which the Head of the Church may hereafter make to our numbers. As things now are, several individuals are unable to procure seats, although desirous of paying for them ; to say nothing of the poor, for whom it is the duty of the more highly favored to provide, in order that the blessings of the Gospel may be equally dispensed among all classes. May the Lord of the harvest mercifully open the hearts of those who possess the pecuniary means, to supply these pressing wants, which are so effectually stopping the growth of the Parish, and preventing its outward prosperity at least, if not its spiritual.

During the last twelve months, the number of Communicants has not increased, as the congregation has not been visited by the Bishop for nearly two years ; but several candidates for Confirmation are awaiting his appointment.

### *St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls.*

THE REV. FREDERICK D. HARRIMAN, (DEACON,) MINISTER.

Families about 40. Communicants 45. Baptisms—infants 5 ; adults 4 ; total 9. Marriages 5. Burials 5. The number of Sunday School teachers and scholars not ascertained. There are sev-

eral candidates for Confirmation. Sunday School Library about 120 volumes. Contributions—for Foreign Missions \$2 ; for Domestic Missions \$3 50 ; County Missions \$9 60 ; New York Tract Society \$2 50 ; New York Bible and Prayer Book Society \$2 50 ; total for objects extra-parochial \$20. To increase the Parish Library \$14 25 ; Sunday School Library \$8 ; to purchase lamps for the Church \$24 ; subscription to enlarge the Church lot \$40 ; to build horse sheds at the Church, about \$185 ; total for parochial objects, besides the ordinary expense of sustaining public worship \$271 25 ; sum total of contributions \$291 25. Of this sum the "Ladies' Parochial Society," organized in November last, raised for the lamps \$17 ; for the Sunday School Books \$6 50 ; and one lady gave \$6 to purchase a pair of lamps for the Reading Desk and Pulpit ; and when all this was done there was left \$6 50 in the Parish Treasury at the beginning of the year. The Church has been regularly open for Divine Service on the alternate Sundays with Milton since I took charge of the two Parishes on the 15th Sunday after Trinity, Oct. 1st, 1848 ; also on several Sunday evenings during the winter ; also on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Ash-Wednesday, and Good Friday, the Wednesday evenings in Lent, and several other evenings. I have also held some occasional Services in the School Houses in this Parish. The Holy Communion has been administered once in two months by the neighbouring Clergy, who have kindly exchanged with me for that purpose.

Last year, this Parish (then under the care of Rev. J. D. Berry,) besides all the usual expenses of public worship, raised \$140 to purchase a Seraphine ; \$60 to re-paint the Church ; and \$50 to furnish it with a full set of window blinds ; in all \$250.

### *Trinity Church, Milton.*

THE REV. FREDERICK D. HARRIMAN, (DEACON,) MINISTER.

Families about 40. Communicants 45. Baptisms—infants 3 ; adults 2 ; total 5. Marriages 2. Burials 2. Number of Sunday School teachers and scholars not ascertained. S. S. Library 230 volumes. Collections—for Foreign Missions \$2 ; for Domestic Missions \$2 31 ; County Missions \$6 02 ; for Bible, Prayer Book,

and Tract distribution \$3 80 ; to repair the Church, (raised by the Ladies' Sewing Society at a Fair,) \$75 ; total \$89 15.

Having been made a Deacon in St. John's Church, Hartford, on the 14th Sunday after Trinity, Sept. 24th, 1848, I officiated for the Rector on the afternoon of the same day, and at Morning Service once during the week ensuing. On the following Sunday I officiated in St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls ; and on the next Sunday in this Parish ; and have remained in charge of these two Parishes, officiating in them alternately from that time. The Holy Communion has been administered once in two months by some of the neighboring Clergy, who have kindly exchanged with me for that purpose. The Church was opened for Divine Service and a Lecture on the evening of Thanksgiving day, also on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and on two other Friday evenings in Lent. On the alternate Sundays, for a part of the year, services have been sustained both in this Parish, and in that at Bantam Falls by Lay-Readers.

#### THE REV. MARTIN MOODY

Reports as follows : Since the Convention of 1848, I have regularly officiated at Sharon twice every Sunday until Easter of the present year. I have also during the same period performed such other duties as belonged to me as Parish Clergyman. After Easter I left the Diocese of Connecticut for that of Western New York, and since my residence here I have been engaged in the management of a school for boys, in preaching occasionally for my clerical brethren, and in supplying the Desk and Pulpit of the Parish in the place of my residence.

#### *St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.*

#### THE REV. P. T. BABBIT, RECTOR.

Families 60. Baptisms—infants 4. Marriages 4. Burials 6. Communicants—added 7 ; died or removed 7 ; present number about 64.

*Christ Church, Sharon.*

THE REV. ALONZO G. SHEARS, MINISTER.

The present incumbent having accepted the charge of this Parish only last month, has but little at this time to report in the way of duty performed, or of results realized. The recent organization of another Parish contiguous to this, in the Diocese of New York, renders it difficult to state, definitely, the number of families or of communicants embraced in what may be now the limits of this Parish. Notwithstanding the reverses with which this Church has been called to meet in suffering dismemberment and other trials, there is yet ground to hope for its ultimate success, through the Divine Blessing.

*St. Andrew's Church, New Preston.*

THE REV. JAMES L. SCOTT, MINISTER.

Families 59. Baptisms—adult 1; infants 12; total 13. Marriages 2. Burials 8. Communicants 52. Sunday School—teachers 6; Scholars 40. Contributions—for Sunday School \$8 75; for Missions \$12; total \$20 75.

As the present incumbent has had the charge of this Parish but a few weeks, he is obliged to draw the above report partly from that of the last year, and partly from the Parish Register. He officiates in this Parish two-thirds of the time. The Sunday School has of late been re-organised, and its library increased. At present the Minister can only add, that there is a good spirit in the Parish, giving him encouraging hopes, that, by the Divine blessing, happy results may accrue to both its spiritual and external concerns. Unintermitted Sunday services are greatly needed here; and there is reason to believe that if maintained for a season, they would advance this Parish to a state of mature strength.

*St. John's Church, Washington.*

THE REV. JAMES L. SCOTT, MINISTER.

Families 23. Marriages 1. Communicants 31. Sunday School—teachers 2; Scholars 10. Contributions for Missions \$13 75.

The officiating Minister having entered upon his duties in this Parish only a few weeks since, and being unable to find any reliable record of the acts of his predecessor, he is obliged to present the above deficient report, taken in part from that of the last year. A Sunday School has been recently organized, and measures are in course for the foundation of a library. The present minister officiates in this Parish one third of the time. On other Sundays the Church is opened for Lay-reading. As an interest in religious things has here been kindled, may the Holy Spirit increase it into a flame. The Church is favorably situated for drawing in a much larger congregation, but much enlargement of its numbers may not be looked for, while clerical services are so "few and far between."

### *Trinity Church, Northfield.*

THE REV. GEORGE WARNER NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families 38. Baptisms 1. Marriages 1. Burials 1. Contributions—for carpeting and other fixtures for the Church, contributed by the ladies of the Parish, \$23 66; for the Litchfield County Missionary Association \$12; for Domestic Missions \$2; for purchase of books for the Parish Library \$5 50; for the Convention fund \$2 25; total \$45 41.

Having received and accepted a call to the Rectorship of this Parish, I entered upon my duties in it on Sunday, October 15th, 1848. It is now some fifty years since the Church here was organized. Had all the families continued to reside in the Parish, who have at different periods been connected with it, we should now have a numerous congregation. Many families of devoted Churchmen have emigrated at various periods to the Western states, and have exerted a happy influence, in diffusing the knowledge of the Church in places where they have gone. The families that have remained have been faithful to the interests of Zion, and give good reason to hope that in Northfield there never will be wanting a faithful few to stand by the Church. This being wholly an agricultural community, and the population remaining nearly stationary, much increase cannot be expected. Still we may hope for stability. The spiritual condition of the Parish is encouraging. The



seed sown here by Bishop Griswold; and others who have succeeded him as laborers in this field, has produced a growth of principles which will not easily be eradicated. The parishioners, considering the remote distance at which they live from the Church, are very constant in their attendance upon the services of God's house. They are also punctual in their engagements with their minister, and endeavor faithfully to hold up his hands in the labors of his holy calling. Since the last Convention it has pleased God to remove from our midst an old and highly respected member of this Parish, Chauncey Warner, Esq., whose Christian example of faith and patience was an instructive lesson while he lived, and whose memory, now that he is dead, will long be cherished among the people of this Parish.

### *Christ Church, Bethlem.*

THE REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families 50. Baptisms—adults 2; children 9; total 11. Communicants—lost by removal 1; by death 2; added by removal 4; present number 65. Marriages 3. Burials 7. Children belonging to the Sunday School 30. Bible Class 8. Missionary and other contributions \$15.

I took charge of this Parish the first of August last; and as far as I am able to judge, I consider it in a united and prosperous condition. The attendance on public worship, for the most part, has been very good; and as there are too few slips for the families attached to the congregation, it cannot be expected to increase until there are more sittings.

### *St. James' Church, Winchester, (Winsted.)*

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, RECTOR.

Families dependent on the Rector's ministrations, (not including single persons,) 30; of which 15 may be regarded as established in the Church. Baptisms—3 infants; a number of children are now awaiting Baptism. Confirmations 3. Communicants 16, three of whom have been received to the Holy Communion for the first

time during the year. One communicant has been removed by death. Sunday School—teachers 5 ; scholars 30. Contributions since the consecration of the Church, (Nov. 1, 1848,)—offertory \$7 54 ; for S. S. Library \$10 60 ; for County Association \$2 70 ; total \$20 84. In addition to this, and also to new subscriptions which are yet in progress for the Church edifice, the ladies have raised at a Fair the sum of \$220 ; \$120 of which they have appropriated to furnishing the Church with carpets and cushions ; and \$100 to the building of it.

The Parish was organized on the 27th day of October last. The Church edifice was consecrated on All Saints' Day, Nov. 1st.—Since then services have been maintained every Sunday, one quarter of the time, until Easter, by Lay-reading. For the current year the entire services of the Rector have been secured by the subscriptions of the people, with the aid of the Clerical and Missionary Association of Litchfield County. The seats of the Church are all free, and it is thought more is raised under this system than could be by rent of pews.

The Holy Communion is now administered on the first Sunday of every month, and monthly missionary collections have been commenced.

This must still, and probably for a considerable time to come, be regarded as missionary ground. But what has already been accomplished in a place where, two years ago, there was scarcely a Church family, is more than an adequate compensation for all the exertion it has required, and gives encouragement for future efforts, not only here but in other fields.

### *Union Church, Hitchcockville.*

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, LATE RECTOR.

My connexion with this Parish is at present little more than nominal. I officiated there every alternate Sunday until Nov. 1st, and every fourth Sunday from that time until Easter, with some interruptions. I have buried one communicant, and was prevented by Providential circumstances from attending two other funerals. Not having the Parish Register in my hands, I am unable to give further statistics.

## *Christ Church, Canaan.*

THE REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, RECTOR.

Families—lost by removal 2; added 3; total 26. Baptisms—infant 1. Communicants—added 2; total 16. Marriages 1. Burials 1. Sunday School—teachers 4; scholars 20. Missionary and other offerings \$23 50.

The condition of this Parish, as appears from the above statement, remains nearly stationary; and yet, when the small number of the congregation is considered, there seems to be no just cause for despondency found in the few additions which we are able to report; while the recent erection of the Church edifice, attended with much expense, and the liberal support of the services, without assistance, furnishes much encouragement to “persevere in well doing.” For where so much energy and liberality prevails, efforts for the good of the Church must, with God’s blessing, at length be attended with success.

## *St. Andrew’s Church, Kent.*

THE REV. WILLIAM ATWILL, RECTOR.

Families—removed 2; added 2; present number 33. Baptisms—infants 2; adults 4; total 6. Communicants 34. Burials 2. Sunday School—teachers 8; pupils 50. Missionary and other offerings \$14 67.

The circumstances of this Parish remain very much the same as at the period of the last report. Although the income of this Church is so small that it sometimes threatens its safety, still it may truly be said that it is gradually strengthening. The congregation is not losing either in numbers or harmony.

## *St. Peter’s Church, Plymouth.*

THE REV. WILLIAM WATSON, RECTOR.

Families 113. Baptisms—infants 16; adults 7; total 32. Confirmed 20. Communicants—added by removal 1; anew 1; lost

by removal 19 ; by death 3 ; present number 213. Marriages 4. Burials 22. Sunday School—teachers 20 ; scholars 100. Missionary and charitable Contributions—to the Christian Knowledge Society, through the Missionary Association of Litchfield County, \$33 ; Western Missions \$50 50 ; Foreign Missions—Africa \$5 50, also a box of Clothing to Africa \$30 ; towards the building of the Church in Winsted \$25 50 ; the Aged and Infirm Clergy fund \$5 58 ; for Seabury Monument \$5 46 ; to other objects extra-parochial \$1 05 ; Collections on hand \$67 03 ; in all \$223 62.

The discrepancy which appears between this report and the last in regard to the number of Communicants, has been created by a more thorough revision of the list. A class of from twenty to twenty-five are in course of preparation for their first Communion, and will be admitted against the next Christmas.

The Parish has suffered severely the past year by the large number of removals from it, as is indicated by the great loss of Communicants from this cause. But help has been raised up for us, which supplies in good measure that which has been taken away. So that, upon the whole, we have no reason to be disheartened, but rather to thank God and take courage.

### *Trinity Church, Wolcottville.*

THE REV. D. P. SANFORD, RECTOR.

Families 50. Communicants 15. Sunday School—teachers 6 ; scholars 20.

I took charge of this Parish on Easter Sunday of the present year, having been in charge of the Churches in Oxford up to that period. This Parish having been vacant during a large share of the past year, there are no Baptisms or additions of new Communicants to report. One Marriage has been solemnized. A combination of trying circumstances has checked the growth of this young Church, but a brighter day seems begun. A congregation meets together now each Lord's day, nearly or quite equal to that of former years.

## *Christ Church, Roxbury.*

THE REV. GEORGE L. FOOTE, RECTOR.

Families 65. Baptisms—adult 1 ; infants 2 ; total 3. Marriages 4. Burials 11. Communicants—added anew 2 ; lost by death 2 ; present number 57. Sunday School—catechumens 55. Missionary and charitable Contributions about \$18.

I officiated for the Parish of Wolcottville on every alternate Sunday for the half year previous to Easter, and am happy to be able to state that that Parish now enjoys the entire services of a Clergyman who resides among them. My School which has been continued nine years in Roxbury, is suspended till the ensuing autumn. Having been Providentially hindered from attending the last Convention, I now present the statistics for the previous diocesan year.

I devoted to the Parish of Roxbury one half of the time, and to the Parishes of Southbury and Zoar each one fourth. Public service was celebrated in Roxbury on seventy-five different occasions, and the Holy Communion was administered eighteen times. Children Baptized 8 ; Burials 7 ; Marriages 2. Children publicly catechised sixteen times, and were presented for Confirmation.

In Zoar Divine Service was performed on thirty-two occasions ; the Holy Communion administered five times ; one child Baptized ; one Funeral attended ; and the children catechised publicly six times. In Southbury Divine Service was performed on twenty-nine different occasions ; the Holy Communion administered five times ; two couple Married ; and children catechised publicly four times.

## *St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.*

Families about 45. Baptisms 0. Confirmed 0 Communicants—added by removal 3 ; lost by removal 1 ; by death 2 ; present number 64. Burials 2. Sunday School—teachers 5 ; scholars 25. Bible Class 7. Missionary Contributions \$10.

This Parish is without a Clergyman. About Easter, 1848, Mr Collis J. Potter, a Candidate for Holy Orders, commenced lay

reading in this Parish, and is still employed in that capacity, performing such duties as are proper for one occupying his position. The Parish has had the services of a Clergyman on six Sundays during the year, at which times the Holy Communion has been administered. The attendance upon the Lord's day services has somewhat increased, and the outward prosperity of the Parish has also improved.

It will be seen by reference to the report of this Parish to the last Convention, that the number of families and communicants is herein stated to be much less than the number reported last year. This does not arise from any real decrease, but from the fact that the number both of families and of communicants has been put too high in former reports, owing probably, in part, to the imperfect state of the Parish Register. Although there are forty-five families in the Parish who may be considered as belonging to the Church, yet there is not one half of that number upon whom the Parish can rely for support.

### *St. John's Church, Salisbury.*

THE REV. G. HUNTINGTON NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families about 35. Baptisms—adults 2 ; infants 3 ; total 5. Confirmed 1 ; a class of Candidates for this Holy Rite, are awaiting the Visitation of the Bishop. Communicants—added anew 2 ; by removal 2 ; lost by death 2 ; present number 27. Marriages 6. Burials 7. Collections for Missionary and charitable purposes, including the offertory, \$50.

The Church has been open for Divine Service on all Sundays save one ; on all the greater Holy days ; during Lent on Wednesday evenings, when a lecture on the liturgy was read, and on Friday mornings through the same seasons for Prayers ; also daily through the Holy Week. The Eucharist has been administered on the first Sundays of each month ; on every Holy day for which a special Preface is provided ; and three times privately. During the past summer a class of Catechumens were instructed on each Lord's Day evening, in the doctrines of the Church. An institution, in connection with the New York Bible and Common Prayer

Book Society, has for some eighteen months been in successful operation, supplying, in a good degree, the want of Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts. Meagre, I am aware, according to the world's criterion of judgment, is this record of services rendered and results secured ; but the labors of those who are endeavoring, as it were single handed, to revive and strengthen the things which are ready to die, can be known only to the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls. Of His infinite mercy may He grant that the seed sown be as bread cast upon the waters.

*St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.*

THE REV. ABEL OGDEN, RECTOR.

Families 40. Communicants—added anew 3 ; by removal 1 ; lost by death 3 ; present number 48. Baptisms 6, one of which was for the Parish of Wolcottville. Marriages 1. Burials 6. Sunday School children 35. Contributions, for objects without the Parish, \$20. The Communicants have purchased a silver Communion Service which was much needed.

*St. John's Church, New Milford.*

(No REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Harwinton.*

(No REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Watertown.*

THE REV. F. HOLCOMB, D. D., RECTOR.

Families—lost by removal 6 ; added 4 ; present number 124. Baptisms—adults 3 ; infants 3 ; total 6. Communicants—lost by death 2 ; added 4 ; present number 142. Marriages 5. Burials 8.

**Sunday School**—teachers 12 ; scholars 115. Charitable contributions for objects without the bounds of the Parish, \$100 ; and a somewhat larger amount for objects within the limits of the same.

For a period of more than sixty years during which this Parish has enjoyed the ministrations of a resident Clergyman, there have been, including the present Rector, but four incumbents. Never has the Parish had less than one half services and from that to two thirds ; for the last twenty years it has enjoyed the undivided labors of a Clergyman the whole time. Its growth has been gradual. Those causes which in other places, have operated to give the the Church a more rapid growth, have not been felt here, except in so far as they have effected the removal from the Parish of many valuable families, and a yet larger number of enterprising individuals. Still, while the progress of the Church, as to numbers, has here been much retarded from such causes, its steady increase has been more than sufficient to counterbalance all losses. Our Parish was never stronger, nor, as to temporal prosperity, in a better condition. I am quite happy in being able, at this time, to state, that we are blessed with a good degree of peace and unanimity. May the God of hope fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing.

## **Tolland County.**

### ***St. Peter's Church, Hebron.***

**THE REV. SOLOMON G. HITCHCOCK, RECTOR.**

Families 51. Baptisms—infants 4 ; adult 1 ; total 5. Communicants—added 4 ; lost by death 2 ; present number 41. Marriages 5. Burials 6. Sunday School—teachers 3 ; scholars 36. Monthly collections \$26 36.

The communicants that have been lost by death within the past year, were individuals who had sustained prominent offices in the Parish, one of them the office of Warden, the other that of Vestryman. The dispensation which removed these members from the



Church militant, has deprived the Parish in Hebron of the services of two of its most active and zealous friends, and has imposed a super-added weight of responsibility and of duty upon those who remain. In other respects, the condition of the Parish remains much as usual.

*St. Clement's Church, Coventry.*

(No REPORT.)

# Abstract Diem

## OF THE

### STATE OF THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE.

(PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY.)

|                                                                                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| FAMILIES, in 77 Parishes, as by foregoing Reports,                                                    | 6284        |
| “ in the other 31 Parishes of the Diocese, according to Reports of previous years,                    | } 997       |
|                                                                                                       | —7281       |
| BAPTISMS, of <i>infants</i> , during the last year, in 76 Parishes, none being reported in 32 others, | } 785       |
| “ of <i>adults</i> in 54 Parishes, none being reported in 54 others,                                  | } 198       |
|                                                                                                       | —983        |
| CONFIRMATIONS, during the last year in 41 Parishes,                                                   | 541         |
| COMMUNICANTS, added by removal in 38 Parishes,                                                        | 222         |
| “ added anew in 48 Parishes,                                                                          | 483         |
| “ lost by removal in 41 Parishes,                                                                     | 239         |
| “ lost by death in 56 Parishes,                                                                       | 190         |
| “ reported as added without distinction of manner in 10 Parishes,                                     | } 124       |
| “ present number in 79 Parishes as by this year's Reports,                                            | } 7814      |
| “ “ “ in other 29 Parishes by Reports of former years,                                                | } 1217      |
|                                                                                                       | —9031       |
| MARRIAGES, during the last year, in 75 Parishes,                                                      | 474         |
| BURIALS, during the last year in 81 Parishes,                                                         | 707         |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL, Teachers in 45 Parishes,                                                               | 545         |
| “ “ Scholars, in 54 Parishes,                                                                         | 3854        |
| CONTRIBUTIONS, reported from 70 Parishes, \$25,670 90                                                 |             |
| “ deduct, devoted by 29 Parishes to their own objects,                                                | } 11,752 55 |
|                                                                                                       | —           |
| “ for other than Parochial purposes,                                                                  | \$13,918 35 |

From the Bishop's address it further appears that there have been, during the past year,

|                                             |         |     |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|-----|
| ORDINATIONS, to the Diaconate,              | - - - - | 4   |
| “ the Priesthood,                           | - - - - | 4   |
|                                             |         | — 8 |
| INSTITUTIONS of Clergy into Parishes,       | - - - - | 2   |
| NEW CHURCHES, consecrated,                  | - - - - | 5   |
| “ in process of erection,                   | - - - - | 3   |
| DIMISSORY LETTERS, given to Clergymen,      | - - - - | 8   |
| “ received,                                 | - - - - | 12  |
| CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS, present number, | - - - - | 18  |

# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge,

*Adopted in 1818, and amended 1822, 1825, 1830, 1831 and 1840.*

**ARTICLE 1.** This Society shall be called, "The Connecticut Protestant Episcopal Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge."

**ART. 2.** The Society shall be considered as comprehending all the members of the Church in this Diocese, and shall be represented for all purposes by the members of the Convention.

**ART. 3.** The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio*, President of the Society; and the Bishop and the Standing Committee shall constitute the Board of Directors. The Secretary and Treasurer of the Society shall be appointed by the Board.

**ART. 4.** The Board shall meet as often as the interest of the Society may require; and may take such measures as they may think expedient to obtain funds. They shall employ Missionaries within the Diocese; and may cause to be procured and distributed, or sold, Bibles, Prayer Books, and Religious Tracts, in such manner as they may think proper.

**ART. 5.** All monies received for the benefit of the Society, shall be subject to the order of the Board, and shall be appropriated to the purposes specified in Article 4. But any congregation or individual shall be allowed the privilege of designating the Church, station or object to which one half of their contribution shall be applied; and it shall be appropriated by the Board accordingly.

**ART. 6.** The Board shall make an annual Report of their appropriations and other proceedings to the Convention; and the Treasurer shall also make a report of the state of the funds, including the names of the several Parishes, which annually contribute, with the amount of their contributions; and also a statement of any donations received from individuals; which reports, or so much of them as the Convention may direct, shall be entered on the Journals.

**ART. 7.** At every Annual Session of the Convention, a Sermon shall be preached before the Society.

**ART. 8.** No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without having been proposed to the Convention, at least one day before it is acted upon; and the Convention alone shall have power to make alterations.

## APPENDIX B.

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*The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in account  
with SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer, Dr.*  
1848.

|                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| June 18.             | To Cash paid Rev. George L. Foote, as per order of this day,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | \$50 00        |
|                      | “ “ Rev. William H. Frisbie, as per order of this day,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 80 00          |
| Aug. 2.              | “ “ allowed this day to the Mission at Southbury, paid Rev. J. L. Clark,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 12 00          |
| Sept. 25.            | “ “ advanced Sept. 15 and 16, to Rev. J. M. Willey, by parishes of Pomfret and New London, for the year ending Easter, 1849,                                                                                                                                                                                  | 65 00          |
| Octo. 24.            | “ “ advanced Rev. A. B. Chapin, for Miss. services in West Haven,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 10 00          |
| 25.                  | “ “ Michaelmas appropriations made Sept. 20, and paid at different times in October, viz: to Rev. Professor Jackson, Rev. Messrs. A. B. Chapin, F. B. Woodward, W. Payne, each \$25—H. B. Edwards \$12 50—H. Townsend M. Moody, H. Fitch, G. L. Foote, D. G. Tomlinson, and A. Ogden, \$25 each, amounting to | 262 50         |
| Nov. 23.             | “ “ Rev. J. M. Willey, appropriation from Christ Church, Norwich,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 50 00          |
|                      | “ “ sundry postages,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 50             |
| 1849.                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| Jan. & Feb.          | “ “ Rev. J. S. Covell, Jos. P. Taylor, D. H. Short, each \$25,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 75 00          |
| Apr. & May,          | “ “ Easter appropriation, made Sept. 20, to Rev. Messrs. A. Nichols, G. W. Nichols, J. S. Covell, A. B. Chapin, F. B. Woodward, H. F. Roberts, M. Moody, H. Fitch, \$25 each,                                                                                                                                 | 200 00         |
| (Amount carried up.) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <hr/> \$755 00 |

## APPENDIX C.

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*Fund for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows,*  
*in account with* SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer,* *Dr.*  
 1848.

|          |                                                |         |
|----------|------------------------------------------------|---------|
| June 15. | To Cash paid Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, by order of |         |
|          | June 14,                                       | \$50 00 |
|          | “ “ Rev. A. B. Chapin,                         | “ 50 00 |
| Oct. 13, | “ “ Rev. A. B. Beach, for the use of his       |         |
|          | widowed mother as by order of Sep-             |         |
|          | tember 20, 1848.                               | 50 00   |
|          | “ “ Rev. N. E. Cornwall, for the use of        |         |
|          | his widowed mother as by order of              |         |
|          | same date,                                     | 50 00   |

1849.

|          |                                                |          |
|----------|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| June 11. | To balance in the Treasurer's hands carried to |          |
|          | new account,                                   | \$391 33 |

\$591 33

1848.

*Cr.*

|         |                                                   |          |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| June 8. | By balance from last year's account, as per Jour- |          |
|         | nal of 1848,                                      | \$105 18 |
| 20.     | “ cash received at Convention, by T. Belknap,     |          |
|         | Esq.                                              | 372 36   |
| 24.     | “ additional contribution from St. James' Church, |          |
|         | New London,                                       | 10 00    |
| Aug. 3. | “ cash from Trinity Church, Bristol,              | 5 00     |
| 12.     | “ cash from Parish of Ridgefield, through Rev.    |          |
|         | H. Olmsted, Jr.                                   | 6 00     |
| Oct. 4. | “ cash from Christ Church, Derby, through the     |          |
|         | Rev. Rector,                                      | 5 00     |

1849.

|          |                                                 |       |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------|-------|
| April 7. | “ amount of interest on temporary loans, carri- |       |
|          | ed to this account,                             | 32 64 |

(Amount carried up)

\$536 18

|          |                                                                      |                 |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
|          | (Amount brought up)                                                  | \$536 18        |
| June 5.  | “ cash from St. John's Church, Hartford, through<br>the Rev. Rector, | 11 50           |
| 11.      | “ cash from Christ Church, Hartford, through<br>the Rev. Rector,     | 43 65           |
|          |                                                                      | <u>\$591 33</u> |
| 1849.    |                                                                      | Cr.             |
| June 12. | By balance to be carried to next account,                            | <u>\$391 33</u> |

In presenting his annual Report, the Treasurer must observe that the balance of the fund for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows, is all available. That of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge seems larger than it actually is, if all the appropriations of the last year are to be paid. These were as follows: June 13, \$80; Aug. 2, \$12; Sept. 20, and subsequently, \$812 50—\$904 50. To these must be added the several special appropriations of New London, Pomfret, Norwich and New Haven, amounting to \$200; total \$1,104 50. But of this sum only \$904 50 have been paid. The amount has been further swelled by the repayment of \$300 charged in last year's account as a temporary loan of \$700. This balance of principal, with interest of the whole to April 7, of this year, was repaid on that day. The principal is carried to the account of the Society. The interest of a loan made on his own responsibility, the Treasurer considered as his own gain, and disposed of it as he thought best by carrying it to the Relief Fund. The actual unappropriated balance, including the special appropriation for tracts, prayer books, &c. is \$464 33. The permanent fund of the Society consists of two shares in the Phoenix, and four shares in the Farmers' and Mechanics' Banks of Hartford, on which one dividend is now or will shortly be due.

All which is respectfully submitted.

E. Excepted. *Hartford, June 12, 1849.*

S. FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer.

*Contributions of Parishes made at the Convention of 1849, to the Christian Knowledge Society, and to the Infirm Clergy's Fund.*

|                                                                             | C. K. S.        | I. C. F.       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| From St. James' Church, Poquetanock,                                        |                 | \$2 10         |
| “ Christ “ Tashua, for 1848,                                                |                 | 3              |
| “ St. George's “ Milford,                                                   | \$4 50          | 2 60           |
| “ St. James' “ Westville,                                                   | 4               | 3              |
| “ St. John's “ Stamford,                                                    | -82             |                |
| “ St. John's “ Waterbury, (\$25 special<br>appropriation for Wolcottville,) | 75              | 21 23          |
| (Amount carried up,)                                                        | <u>\$165 50</u> | <u>\$31 93</u> |

|                                                                 |  | C. K. S.        | I. C. F.        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| (Amount brought up,)                                            |  | \$165 50        | \$31 63         |
| " Christ Church, Guilford,                                      |  | 4 00            | 3 81            |
| " Trinity " Branford,                                           |  | 3 00            | 5 00            |
| " St. James' " Fair Haven,                                      |  | 5 00            | 9 06            |
| " Union " Killingworth,                                         |  | 1 34            |                 |
| " St. Paul's " New Haven,                                       |  | 100 00          | 50 00           |
| " Christ " Derby,                                               |  |                 | 6 42            |
| " Christ " Stratford,                                           |  | 17 91           | 15 27           |
| " St. Peter's " Munroe,                                         |  | 4 32            | 2 46            |
| " St. Mark's " Bridgewater,                                     |  | 2 44            |                 |
| " St. Thomas' " New Haven,                                      |  | 2 00            |                 |
| " Grace " Broad Brook,                                          |  | 1 65            |                 |
| " Christ " Norwich,                                             |  | 20 00           | 20 00           |
| " Grace " Long Hill,                                            |  |                 | 3 23            |
| " Trinity " Portland,                                           |  | 17 00           | 5 00            |
| " St. Michael's " Naugatuck,                                    |  | 5 00            | 3 03            |
| " St. John's " North Guilford,                                  |  | 3 38            |                 |
| " Zion " North Branford,                                        |  | 3 30            |                 |
| " St. Paul's " Brookfield,                                      |  | 5 00            | 3 00            |
| " St. James' " Birmingham,                                      |  |                 | 12 18           |
| " Trinity " Southport,                                          |  | 45 00           | 15 00           |
| " All Saints' " Wolcott,                                        |  | 7 00            |                 |
| " St. James' " Danbury,                                         |  |                 | 10 00           |
| " St. Peter's " Cheshire,                                       |  | 7 00            | 3 00            |
| " St. James' " New London,                                      |  |                 | 24 53           |
| " Christ " West Haven,                                          |  | 5 00            | 2 00            |
| " St. Paul's " Norwalk,                                         |  | 32 14           | 10 00           |
| " Emanuel " Weston,                                             |  | 1 00            |                 |
| " St. Thomas' " Bethel,                                         |  | 5 00            | 3 00            |
| " Christ " Westport,                                            |  | 10 00           |                 |
| " Christ " Reading,                                             |  | 3 00            |                 |
| " St. Mathew's " Wilton,                                        |  | 3 50            | 3 00            |
| " St. Stephen's " Ridgefield,                                   |  | 5 00            | 6 17            |
| " St. Peter's " Plymouth,                                       |  |                 | 2 21            |
| " St. John's " Bridgeport,                                      |  | 23 07           |                 |
| " ——— " Weston,                                                 |  | 2 00            |                 |
| " St. Andrew's " Meriden                                        |  | 5 00            |                 |
| Handed T. Belknap, without the name of the contributing Parish, |  | 7 26            |                 |
|                                                                 |  | <u>\$521 81</u> | <u>\$249 30</u> |

### RECAPITULATION.

|                                                       |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| For the Christian Knowledge Society—from 35 Parishes, | \$521 81        |
| For Infirm Clergymen's Fund—from 28 Parishes,         | 249 30          |
| Total,                                                | <u>\$771 11</u> |
| S. FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer.                          |                 |

# APPENDIX D.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, in  
account with T. BELKNAP, Treasurer.*

| 1848.    |    |                                                                 | DR.            |
|----------|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| June 15. | To | Cash paid Croswell & Jewett, Stationery,                        | \$5 82         |
| July 22. | "  | " Rev. Dr. Mead rec'd for Treasurer of General Convention,      | 104 00         |
| Aug. 22. | "  | " S. Hanmer, jr., for Printing Journal,                         | 171 90         |
| " 30.    | "  | " Stanford & Sword's bill of Journal, 1814 to 1847,             | 6 00           |
| " "      | "  | " Rev. Wm. Payne for transcribing Journal of 1848 and Postages, | 3 67           |
| 1849.    |    |                                                                 |                |
| Jan. 30. | "  | " A. S. Stillman binding Journal,                               | 1 96           |
| June 12. | To | balance to new account,                                         | 71 57          |
|          |    |                                                                 | <hr/> \$364 92 |

| 1848.    |    |                                                | CR.            |
|----------|----|------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| June 13. | By | balance of old account,                        | 116 46         |
| " 15.    | "  | " Cash of sundry Parishes for Journal of 1848, | 248 46         |
|          |    |                                                | <hr/> \$364 92 |

| 1849. |    | <i>In new account.</i>               | CR.     |
|-------|----|--------------------------------------|---------|
|       | By | balance on hand,                     | \$71 57 |
|       |    | T. BELKNAP, Treasurer of Convention. |         |
|       |    | Hartford, June 12th, 1849.           |         |



*The following Parishes have paid the Assessment to the Convention Fund for 1849.*

|                    |                 |        |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------|
| St. James' Church, | Poquetanock,    | \$2 16 |
| St. George's       | Milford,        | 2 38   |
| St. James'         | Westville,      | 2 25   |
| St. Peter's        | Plymouth,       | 4 87   |
| St. John's         | Waterbury,      | 5 62   |
| Christ             | Guilford,       | 3 75   |
| Trinity            | Branford,       | 3 00   |
| St. James'         | Fair Haven,     | 4 50   |
| Union              | Killingworth,   | 50     |
| St. Paul's         | New Haven,      | 15 00  |
| Christ             | Derby,          | 3 75   |
| Christ             | Stratford,      | 3 00   |
| Trinity            | Bristol,        | 4 12   |
| Christ             | Westport,       | 3 75   |
| Grace              | Saybrook,       | 3 00   |
| St. Peter's        | Munroe,         | 2 00   |
| Christ             | Middletown,     | 6 00   |
| St. Thomas'        | New Haven,      | 4 50   |
| St. Andrew's       | New Preston,    | 1 87   |
| St. Luke's         | Glastenbury,    | 3 75   |
| Christ             | Greenwich,      | 3 75   |
| Grace              | Broad Brook,    | 3 00   |
| Grace              | Hamden,         | 3 00   |
| Trinity            | New Haven,      | 18 00  |
| Christ             | Norwich,        | 7 50   |
| Grace              | Long Hill,      | 1 50   |
| St. Michael's      | Litchfield,     | 4 12   |
| Christ             | Bethlem,        | 3 00   |
| St. John's         | Salisbury,      | 3 50   |
| St. Paul's         | Brookfield,     | 3 75   |
| Trinity            | Brooklyn,       | 2 25   |
| St. Andrew's       | Meriden,        | 3 75   |
| St. Mark's         | New Britain,    | 3 37   |
| St. John's         | North Guilford, | 1 10   |
| Zion               | North Branford, | 37     |
| St. Paul's         | Woodbury,       | 3 75   |
| St. Paul's         | Windham,        | 3 00   |
| St. Paul's         | Norwalk,        | 4 50   |
| St. Thomas'        | Bethel,         | 3 75   |
| St. Mathew's       | East Plymouth,  | 2 62   |
| Trinity            | Northfield,     | 2 25   |
| St. Paul's         | Wallingford,    | 3 75   |

(Amount carried up,)

**\$155 35**

| (Amount brought up,) |   |                  | \$165 35 |
|----------------------|---|------------------|----------|
| St. James'           | " | Birmingham,      | 6 00     |
| Trinity              | " | Southport,       | 6 00     |
| Christ               | " | Bethany,         | 3 00     |
| St. James'           | " | Danbury,         | 3 75     |
| St. Stephen's        | " | Ridgefield,      | 3 75     |
| St. John's           | " | Warehouse Point, | 2 00     |
| Trinity              | " | Newtown,         | 4 50     |
| St. James'           | " | New London,      | 5 62     |
| Christ               | " | Reading,         | 2 43     |
| Trinity              | " | Portland,        | 5 25     |
| St. John's           | " | Washington,      | 1 12     |
| Christ               | " | West Haven,      | 1 00     |
| Christ               | " | Watertown,       | 4 50     |
| St. John's           | " | Stamford,        | 6 00     |
| Christ               | " | Pomfret,         | 1 50     |
| St. John's           | " | Essex,           | 2 50     |
| Christ               | " | Tashua,          | 1 50     |
| Christ               | " | Hartford,        | 11 25    |
| St. John's           | " | "                | 7 50     |
| St. Peter's          | " | Cheshire,        | 3 00     |
|                      |   |                  | <hr/>    |
|                      |   |                  | \$247 52 |

*Parishes which have not contributed to the Convention Fund for the current year.*

|                 |                  |               |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Oxford,         | Humphreysville,  | New Canaan,   |
| Quakers' Farms, | Roxbury,         | North Canaan, |
| Bridgewater,    | Harwinton,       | New Milford,  |
| Weston,         | North Haven,     | Simsbury,     |
| Hitchcockville, | Middle Haddam,   | Salem,        |
| Wolcott,        | Bantam Falls,    | Sharon,       |
| Ridgefield,     | East Haddam,     | Windsor,      |
| Bridgeport,     | Haddam,          | Woodbridge,   |
| Naugatuck,      | Kent,            | Wilton,       |
| East Haven,     | Middlebury,      | Wolcottville. |
| Hebron,         | Milton,          |               |
| Newtown,        | Zoar, (Newtown,) |               |

## APPENDIX E.

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*Litchfield County Clerical and Missionary Association, in account  
with their Treasurer, Dr.*

**1848.**

|           |                                                         |    |    |    |         |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---------|
| July 13.  | To cash paid Missionary at Winsted, agreeably to order, |    |    |    | \$14 00 |
| Sept. 20. | do                                                      | do | do | do | 98 00   |
| 22.       | do                                                      | do | do | do | 16 60   |
| Oct. 18.  | do                                                      | do | do | do | 60 53   |
| Nov. 27.  | do                                                      | do | do | do | 11 00   |

**1849.**

|           |    |    |    |    |                 |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|-----------------|
| Jan. 15.  | do | do | do | do | 12 00           |
| Mar. 22.  | do | do | do | do | 7 00            |
| April 23. | do | do | do | do | 18 38           |
| June 12.  | do | do | do | do | 17 40           |
|           |    |    |    |    | <u>\$254 91</u> |

**1848.**

*Cr.*

|          |                                                 |     |    |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| July 11. | By cash received of Rev. J. L. Clarke, a former |     |    |
|          | Treasurer,                                      | \$3 | 88 |
|          | “ “ of Rev. W. H. Frisbie, late Trea-           |     |    |
|          | surer,                                          |     | 22 |
|          | “ from St. John's Church, New Milford,          | 10  | 00 |
| Sept. 3. | “ Union Church, Hitchcockville,                 | 2   | 00 |
| 19.      | “ St. Michael's, Litchfield,                    | 7   | 33 |
|          | “ Trinity Church, Milton,                       | 5   | 96 |
|          | “ St. Peter's, Plymouth,                        | 33  | 00 |
|          | “ St. Andrew's, New Preston,                    | 12  | 00 |
|          | “ St. John's, Washington,                       | 8   | 75 |
|          | “ St. John's, Salisbury,                        | 8   | 96 |
|          | “ St. John's, Waterbury,                        | 10  | 00 |
|          | “ Christ Church, North Canaan,                  | 3   | 00 |
|          | “ St. Andrew's, Kent,                           | 7   | 25 |

(Amount carried up)

\$112 35

|          |                                 |                 |
|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
|          | (Amount brought up)             | \$112 35        |
| 22.      | " St. Michael's, Litchfield,    | 16 25           |
| 26.      | " St. John's, New Milford,      | 20 00           |
| Oct. 16. | " Union Church, Hitchcockville, | 2 53            |
| 17.      | " Trinity Church, Northfield,   | 12 00           |
| 18.      | " Christ Church, Watertown,     | 21 00           |
|          | " St. Mark's, Bridgewater,      | 5 00            |
| Nov. 25, | " St. Andrew's, Kent,           | 5 00            |
|          | " Christ Church, Sharon,        | 6 00            |
| 1849.    |                                 |                 |
| Jan. 15. | " St. John's, Washington,       | 5 00            |
|          | " St. Paul's, Bantam Falls,     | 7 00            |
| Mar. 22, | " St. Michael's, Litchfield,    | 7 00            |
| Apr. 9,  | " Union, Hitchcockville,        | 1 38            |
| 23,      | " Christ Church, Roxbury,       | 10 00           |
|          | " St. Mark's, Bridgewater,      | 4 50            |
|          | " St. Paul's Bantam Falls,      | 2 50            |
| May 4,   | " Christ Church, Bethlem,       | 10 00           |
| 14,      | " Trinity, Wolcottville,        | 5 40            |
| June 12, | " Christ Church, Bethlem,       | 2 00            |
|          |                                 | <hr/>           |
|          |                                 | <b>\$254 91</b> |
|          |                                 | <hr/>           |

It will be perceived that all which has been received has been appropriated to the Missionary of the Association at Winsted. Of this amount, \$120 52 was necessary to make up what was due him at Easter 1848; the remainder, \$134 39, applies on his salary from Easter, 1848 to Easter 1849.

JONATHAN COE, *Treasurer,*

*Litchfield Co. Cler. and Miss. Association.*

# APPENDIX F.

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*Towns and Villages within the Diocese in which the Church is not established.*

## HARTFORD COUNTY.

| TOWNS.          | POPULATION. | TOWNS.           | POPULATION. |
|-----------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Burlington,     | 1,201       | East Hartford,   | 2,389       |
| Collinsville, } | 1,746       | Marlborough,     | 713         |
| Canton, }       |             | Suffield,        | 2,669       |
| Wethersfield, } | 3,824       | Enfield,         | 2,648       |
| Rocky Hill, }   |             | Thompsonville, } |             |
| Avon,           | 1,001       | South Windsor,   |             |
| Farmington,     | 2,041       | Southington,     | 1,887       |
| Bloomfield,     | 986         | Berlin,          | 3,411       |
| Hartland,       | 1,060       | Kensington.      |             |

## TOLLAND COUNTY.

| TOWNS.     | POPULATION. | TOWNS.      | POPULATION. |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Vernon,    | 1,430       | Union,      | 669         |
| Ellington, | 1,356       | Willington, | 1,268       |
| Tolland,   | 1,566       | Bolton,     | 734         |
| Somers,    | 1,621       | Mansfield,  | 2,276       |
| Stafford,  | 2,469       | Columbia,   | 842         |

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

| TOWNS.      | POPULATION. | TOWNS.                       | POPULATION. |
|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Ashford, }  | 2,651       | Chaplin,                     | 794         |
| Westford, } |             | Hampton,                     | 1,166       |
| Woodstock,  | 3,053       | Canterbury,                  | 1,791       |
| Thompson,   | 3,535       | Willimantic, (Windham,)      |             |
| Plainfield, | 2,383       | Eastford,                    |             |
| Sterling,   | 1,099       | Danielsonville, (Brooklyn) } |             |
| Voluntown,  | 1,185       | Daysville,                   |             |
| Killingly,  | 3,685       |                              |             |

## NEW LONDON COUNTY.

| TOWNS.           | POPULATION. | TOWNS.            | POPULATION. |
|------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Lebanon,         | 2,194       | Lyme,             | 2,856       |
| Colchester,      | 2,101       | Bozrah,           | 1,067       |
| Franklin,        | 1,000       | Montville,        | 1,990       |
| Lisbon,          | 1,502       | East Lyme,        | 1,412       |
| Ledyard,         | 1,871       | Groton,           | 2,963       |
| Griswold,        | 2,165       | Waterford,        | 2,329       |
| Jewett's City, } |             | North Stonington, | 2,269       |

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| TOWNS.     | POPULATION. | TOWNS.                  | POPULATION. |
|------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Durham,    | 1,095       | Clinton,                | 1,239       |
| Chester,   | 974         | Deep River, (Saybrook,) |             |
| Westbrook, | 1,182       |                         |             |

## NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

| TOWNS.    | POPULATION. | TOWNS.                      | POPULATION. |
|-----------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Prospect, | 548         | Orange,                     | 1,329       |
| Madison,  | 1,728       | South Britain, (Southbury,) |             |

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

| TOWNS.         | POPULATION. | TOWNS.  | POPULATION. |
|----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Sherman,       | 938         | Darien, | 1,080       |
| New Fairfield, | 956         |         |             |

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

| TOWNS.                     | POPULATION. | TOWNS.        | POPULATION. |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Ellsworth, (Sharon,)       |             | Norfolk,      | 1,393       |
| South Canaan,              | 1,083       | Colebrook,    | 1,232       |
| Cornwall,                  | 1,703       | Winchester,   | 1,667       |
| Warren,                    | 872         | Torrington,   | 1,707       |
| South Farms, (Litchfield,) |             | Barkhamsted,  | 1,571       |
| Goshen,                    | 1,529       | New Hartford, | 1,703       |

# APPENDIX G.

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## CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

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**CHRIST CHURCH, HARTFORD, JUNE 13, 1849.**

**The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting.**

**The Minutes of its last Annual Meeting were read and approved.**

**The Secretary presented the Report of the Board of Education, which was read and accepted.**

**The Treasurer's Report was also presented, read and accepted.**

**The following Officers were then nominated and chosen for the ensuing year, viz :**



### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

|                                      |                                |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>THE REV. JOHN WILLIAMS, D. D.</b> | <b>DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.</b>       |
| <b>THE REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE.</b>   | <b>ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq.</b> |
| <b>THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.</b>          | <b>DENISON MORGAN, Esq.</b>    |
| <b>WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.</b>          |                                |

***Secretary,* THE REV. PETER S. CHAUNCEY.**

***Treasurer,* JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.**

**On motion it was**

***Resolved,* That the difficulties alluded to in the Treasurer's Report be referred to the Board of Education.**

**On motion, adjourned.**

**A. C. COXE, *Secretary.***

## Report.

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION** respectfully Report to the Society :—

That the number of their beneficiaries is *thirteen*. During the past year *six* of these have been received ; and of the former number, *one* has been graduated, and one has been discredibly dismissed from College. This painful case occurred only a few weeks after the last anniversary, and was attended with circumstances very humiliating and distressing. The individual thus disappointing the reasonable hopes of the Board, was one in whom they had felt no ordinary interest, and of whose qualifications for a benefice they supposed they had every evidence. They cannot therefore charge themselves with having burthened the Society rashly, with the care of an unworthy person, and they certainly need not enlarge upon the fact that occasional impositions must be expected, while the Church, by divine permission, continues to hold the good mingled with the evil, and the tares scattered among the wheat.

But yet the Board was disposed to take this sad occurrence as a call to new diligence in the oversight of the young men committed to their charge. A meeting was held, at which President Totten went into a review of the Society's operations for seventeen years past, during which it appeared that out of sixty-four beneficiaries, nine had not fulfilled the expectations of their friends, and that six of these had proved more or less morally unsound : but it was gratifying to find that by far the greater part of the above number are useful laborers in the Lord's harvest, and that not a few of them are occupying posts of importance and distinction. There is therefore nothing to discourage us ; but on the whole, much to inspire new zeal and effort, in behalf of those who need our help in preparing for the service of the altar.

Some changes have been made in the regimen of the beneficiaries, with a view to their own wishes and the Society's interest. Instead of reporting their expenses and circumstances to the Board, they will hereafter be subject to no other inspection than that of the College authorities, on whose explicit recommendation, the Board will confidently rely. A higher standard of academical and moral habits is also adopted, and the parochial Clergy of Hartford have been invited to extend an especial care to the young men,



with the purpose of elevating their religious character, and preparing them for their future relations to the Church.

The late President of Trinity College having resigned since the last anniversary, the presidency of the Board has been virtually vacant during the greater part of the year. But the Rev. Dr. Williams has been requested to attend their meetings, and to aid them as the Head of the College only can, in the performance of their duties; and the Board would express their gratitude for his services, and for his efficient and parental guardianship of the beneficiaries, in whom he has uniformly shown a warm and affectionate interest.

The Board has adopted the measure with respect to the charging of interest for which they received permission at the last anniversary, and they have no doubt that it will be found to operate very well; but they are sorry to report a Treasury still embarrassed by the neglect of parochial Clergymen to aid their operations; and to this, and any other deficiencies in their present condition, they would earnestly ask the attention of the Society.

By order of the Board,

A. C. COXE, Secretary.

Hartford, June 12, 1849.

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*Church Scholarship Society, in account with JAMES M. GOODWIN,*  
*Treasurer. DR.*

1848.

|          |    |                                       |            |
|----------|----|---------------------------------------|------------|
| June 21. | To | Cash paid, loan at the Phoenix Bank,  |            |
|          |    | March 21,                             | \$200 00   |
|          | "  | " postage during the year,            | 50         |
| Dec. 8.  | "  | " James M. Goodwin for loan of        |            |
|          |    | him July 22,                          | 44 15      |
| 1849.    | "  | " do. interest on do.                 | 58         |
| Feb. 18. | "  | " do. for loan of him, Dec. 18,       | 277 83     |
|          | "  | " do. interest on do,                 | 2 78       |
| May 10.  | "  | " Sundry loans to beneficiaries, from |            |
|          |    | July 20, 1848, to this date,          | 873 00     |
| June 4.  | "  | " on hand to new account,             | 120 79     |
|          |    |                                       | <hr/>      |
|          |    |                                       | \$1,519 63 |
|          |    |                                       | <hr/>      |

|               |                                                                               | CR.        |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 1848.         |                                                                               |            |
| June 4.       | By Cash on hand,                                                              | \$141 65   |
| 17.           | " St. John's Church, Bridgeport,                                              | 17 00      |
| "             | " Christ Church, Middletown,                                                  | 6 00       |
| "             | " Christ Church, Stratford,                                                   | 10 00      |
| "             | " St. John's Church, Waterbury,                                               | 50 00      |
| "             | " Union Church, Hitchcockville,                                               | 2 35       |
| 21.           | " Treasurer Trinity College, 4 year's interest on donation from Mrs. E. Hart, | 120 00     |
| July 3.       | " St. John's Church, Hartford,                                                | 19 05      |
| 22.           | " James M. Goodwin, for loan,                                                 | 44 15      |
| Aug. 27.      | " Christ Church, Roxbury,                                                     | 3 00       |
| Oct. 11.      | " Christ Church, Hartford,                                                    | 39 10      |
| "             | " St. James' Church, New London,                                              | 25 00      |
| Dec. 8.       | " St. John's Church, Waterbury,                                               | 12 00      |
| 15.           | " James M. Goodwin for loan,                                                  | 277 83     |
| 1849. Jan. 2. | " Rev. Sheldon Davis, for balance of loan,                                    | 5 00       |
| "             | " Interest of do. on money loaned him,                                        | 45 00      |
| 6.            | " D. W. C. Loop, on account of money loaned him,                              | 135 00     |
| 13.           | " Trinity Church Fairfield,                                                   | 8 00       |
| 22.           | " St. John's Church, Waterbury,                                               | 50 00      |
| Feb. 12.      | " Christ Church, Hartford,                                                    | 41 50      |
| 15.           | " Rev. William Long, on account of money loaned him,                          | 50 00      |
| March 22.     | " Rev. B. W. Ashley, do. do.                                                  | 45 00      |
| April 10.     | " James M. Goodwin for loan,                                                  | 212 00     |
| 13.           | " D. W. C. Loop, on account of money loaned him,                              | 15 00      |
| 15.           | " James M. Goodwin for loan,                                                  | 25 00      |
| May 2.        | " Rev. William Long on account of money loaned him,                           | 70 00      |
| "             | " Interest of do. on money loaned him,                                        | 35 00      |
| 10.           | " Cash of St. John's Church, Waterbury,                                       | 16 00      |
|               |                                                                               | <hr/>      |
|               |                                                                               | \$1,519 63 |
| June 4,       | " By Cash on hand,                                                            | 120 79     |
| 12.           | " of St. John's Church, Waterbury,                                            | 42 75      |
| "             | " St. Paul's Church, New Haven,                                               | 50 00      |
| "             | " St. George's Church, Milford,                                               | 4 00       |
| 13.           | " Trinity Church, Branford,                                                   | 2 50       |

Errors Excepted. Hartford, June 4, 1849.

JAMES M. GOODWIN, Treasurer.

Hartford, June 11, 1849. We have examined the annexed account with the Church Scholarship Society, and find it correct.

S. TUDOR, Auditor.

| <i>DR.</i>           |                    | BALANCE SHEET, JUNE, 1849, |                    | <i>CR.</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Expense account,     | \$1,164 77         | Donations and subscrip-    |                    |            |
| Rev. William Barlow, | 180 87             | tions,                     | \$13,460 39        |            |
| Profit and loss,     | 659 33             | Interest Account,          | 441 09             |            |
| Bills Receivable,    | 12,012 71          | J. M. Goodwin,             | 237 00             |            |
| Cash,                | 120 79             |                            |                    |            |
|                      | <u>\$14,138 48</u> |                            | <u>\$14,138 48</u> |            |

## SYNOPSIS OF THE ABOVE ACCOUNT.

|                        |                   |                          |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Paid to Beneficiaries, | \$873 00          | Cash on hand,            | \$141 65          |
| “ Interest,            | 3 36              | Donations and Subscrip-  |                   |
| “ Expenses,            | 50                | tions,                   | 419 00            |
| “ Cash borrowed,       | 521 98            | Cash borrowed,           | 558 98            |
| Cash on hand,          | 120 79            | Repaid by Beneficiaries, | 320 00            |
|                        |                   | Interest collected.      | 80 00             |
|                        | <u>\$1,519 63</u> |                          | <u>\$1,519 63</u> |

# APPENDIX H.

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SEABURY MONUMENT.

|                                     |   |   |   |   |                 |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------------|
| From St. John's Church, Stamford,   | . | . | . | . | \$5 00          |
| " Christ " Greenwich, }             | . | . | . | . | 3 00            |
| " Emanuel Chapel, " }               | . | . | . | . | 3 00            |
| " St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, | . | . | . | . | 3 00            |
| " St. Paul's " Bantam Falls,        | . | . | . | . | 50              |
| " Trinity " Milton,                 | . | . | . | . | 50              |
| " St. John's " Salisbury,           | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " Christ " Roxbury,                 | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " Trinity " Bristol,                | . | . | . | . | 2 00            |
| " St. Paul's " Windham,             | . | . | . | . | 2 00            |
| " Union " Killingworth,             | . | . | . | . | 50              |
| " St. John's " North Guilford,      | . | . | . | . | 2 00            |
| " Christ " North Branford,          | . | . | . | . | 50              |
| " St. Andrew's " Meriden,           | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " St. James' " Winsted,             | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " Christ " Stratford,               | . | . | . | . | 5 00            |
| " St. James' " Danbury,             | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " St. Paul's " Wallingford,         | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " Christ " Canaan,                  | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " St. Andrew's " Kent,              | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " ——— " Simsbury,                   | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " Trinity " Fairfield,              | . | . | . | . | 6 00            |
| " St. Luke's " Glastenbury,         | . | . | . | . | 19 75           |
| " Christ " Pomfret,                 | . | . | . | . | 5 00            |
| " Christ " Derby,                   | . | . | . | . | 7 00            |
| " Trinity " Brooklyn,               | . | . | . | . | 6 00            |
| " St. Peter's " Hebron,             | . | . | . | . | 10 00           |
| " Christ " Hartford,                | . | . | . | . | 17 00           |
| " " " " 2d contribution,            | . | . | . | . | 50 00           |
| " St. Stephen's " East Haddam,      | . | . | . | . | 1 00            |
| " St. James' " New London,          | . | . | . | . | 150 00          |
| " St. James' " Birmingham,          | . | . | . | . | 10 00           |
| (Amount carried up)                 |   |   |   |   | <u>\$314 75</u> |

| Amount brought up.     |                                           |                    |         |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|
| From Various Churches, |                                           | Hartford.          | 2 00    |
| "                      |                                           | Rev. C. E. Foster. | 2 00    |
| "                      | Leavenworth                               | Warren.            | 2 00    |
| "                      | St. Paul's                                | Norwalk.           | 20 00   |
| "                      | Grace                                     | Guilford.          | 4 00    |
| "                      | St. Mark's                                | New Britain.       | 3 25    |
| "                      | St. Mark's                                | Bridgewater.       | 2 00    |
| "                      | St. James'                                | Fair Haven.        | 2 25    |
| "                      | St. Andrew's                              | Northington.       | 1 00    |
| "                      | St. Peter's                               | Warren.            | 4 00    |
| "                      | St. Thomas'                               | New Haven.         | 4 00    |
| "                      | St. Thomas'                               | Meriden.           | 20 00   |
| "                      | St. George's                              | Willimantic.       | 2 00    |
| "                      | St. John's                                | Hartford.          | 20 00   |
| "                      | Grace                                     | Hartford.          | 4 00    |
| "                      | Grace                                     | Easton.            | 2 00    |
| "                      | Christ                                    | Taunton.           | 4 50    |
| "                      | Grace                                     | Long Hill.         | 2 00    |
| "                      | St. Paul's                                | Brookfield.        | 4 00    |
| "                      | St. James'                                | Westville.         | 2 00    |
| "                      | Grace                                     | Bond Brook.        | 2 00    |
| "                      | Church of the Holy Trinity, Hartford.     |                    | 20 00   |
| "                      | Clerical Association of Middlesex County. |                    | 3 00    |
| "                      | Trinity Church, New Haven.                |                    | 20 00   |
| "                      | St. Peter's                               | Cheshire.          | 3 00    |
| "                      | St. John's                                | Westerbury.        | 20 00   |
| "                      | Christ                                    | Middletown.        | 25 00   |
| "                      | Trinity                                   | Portland.          | 25 00   |
| "                      | Grace                                     | Norwich.           | 20 00   |
| "                      | St. Paul's                                | New Haven.         | 20 00   |
| "                      | St. Peter's                               | Plymouth.          | 7 44    |
| "                      | St. James'                                | Poquetanock.       | 7 75    |
| "                      | Christ                                    | Westport.          | 5 00    |
| "                      | St. Stephen's                             | Ridgefield.        | 5 00    |
| "                      | Trinity                                   | Bransford.         | 7 00    |
| "                      |                                           | P. A. Jewett.      | 5 00    |
| "                      |                                           | Rev. Dr. Williams. | 2 00    |
| Total,                 |                                           |                    | 3651 36 |

**CONSTITUTION**  
**OF THE**  
**PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,**  
**IN THE**  
**Diocese of Connecticut.**

AS AMENDED IN CONVENTION, OCTOBER, 1835, JUNE, 1840, AND  
JUNE, 1847.

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**ARTICLE 1.** The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ART. 2.** There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

**ART. 3.** Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

**ART. 4.** The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

**ART. 5.** The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention, when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee, or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

**ART. 6.** The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in Union with this Convention; ministers employed as missionaries under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this Diocese, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority; and ministers whose age and infirmities pre-

vent from exercising the clerical functions; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese, which shall have been received into Union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention, by one delegate; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Rector, Wardens, or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or Instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as, agreeably to their own rules or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Convention, shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

**ART. 11.** A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure ; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention ; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

**ART. 12.** When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting ; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

**ART. 13.** The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner:—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office ; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay-Delegates ; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice ; provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present ; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

**ART. 14.** Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot ; and the delegates thus appointed and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention ; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

**ART. 15.** No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

**ART. 16.** This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two thirds of the members present ; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the Journals of the Convention.



CANONS  
OF THE  
**Protestant Episcopal Church,**  
IN THE  
DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

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**CANON I.—***Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports.* (Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention of 1834, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages and funerals solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptised, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, and of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish; of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection, the Parish Register.

**CANON II.—***Providing for the Convention Fund.* (1838.)

The several Parishes in this Diocese, shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one

hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

**CANON III.**—*Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitutions and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

**CANON IV.**—*Of the manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut :*

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H., of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided.

[Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being ; five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case ; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defence on each specification.

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| From Calvary Church,                        | Stonington,        | . | 3 00           |
| "                                           | Rev. C. R. Fisher, | . | 1 00           |
| " Emanuel                                   | Weston,            | . | 2 00           |
| " St. Paul's                                | Norwalk,           | . | 26 00          |
| " Christ                                    | Guilford,          | . | 6 00           |
| " St. Mark's                                | New Britain,       | . | 5 25           |
| " St. Mark's                                | Bridgewater,       | . | 5 00           |
| " St. James'                                | Fair Haven,        | . | 5 25           |
| " St. Andrew's                              | Northford,         | . | 7 00           |
| " St. Peter's                               | Monroe,            | . | 6 00           |
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| " St. Thomas'                               | Bethel,            | . | 10 00          |
| " St. George's                              | Milford,           | . | 1 50           |
| " St. John's                                | Hartford,          | . | 30 00          |
| " Grace                                     | Hamden,            | . | 8 00           |
| " Grace                                     | Saybrook,          | . | 1 00           |
| " Christ                                    | Tashua,            | . | 7 50           |
| " Grace                                     | Long Hill,         | . | 5 00           |
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| " St. Peter's                               | Cheshire,          | . | 5 00           |
| " St. John's                                | Waterbury,         | . | 20 00          |
| " Christ                                    | Middletown,        | . | 15 00          |
| " Trinity                                   | Portland,          | . | 15 00          |
| " Christ                                    | Norwich,           | . | 30 00          |
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| " St. Peter's                               | Plymouth,          | . | 5 44           |
| " St. James'                                | Poquetanock,       | . | 7 75           |
| " Christ                                    | Westport,          | . | 5 00           |
| " St. Stephen's                             | Ridgefield,        | . | 5 00           |
| " Trinity                                   | Branford,          | . | 7 00           |
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(1846—altered 1847.)

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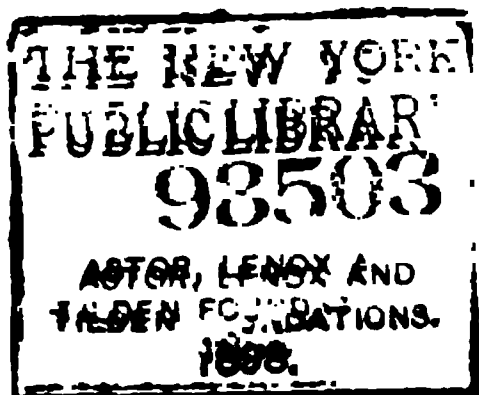
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“ **Lorenzo T. Bennett, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.**

“ **Joshua D. Berry, D. D., Minister of Trinity Church, Wolcottville.**

“ **John H. Betts, Missionary at New Hartford.**

“ **Joseph Brewster, Rector of St. Paul's, Wallingford.**

“ **Wm. White Bronson, Rector of St. James', Danbury.**

“ **Hilliard Bryant,\* Associate Instructor in Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.**

“ **Daniel Burhans, D. D., residing at Poughkeepsie.**

“ **Riverius Camp, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.**

“ **Alexander Capron, Minister of St. Mark's, New Britain.**

“ **James Dixon Carder, Rector of St. George's, Milford.**

“ **Alonzo B. Chapin, Rector of Christ Church, West Haven.**

“ **Jacob L. Clark, Rector of St. John's, Waterbury.**

“ **Jonathan Coe, Rector of St. James', Winsted.**

“ **Gurdon S. Coit, Rector of St. John's, Bridgeport.**

“ **Thomas W. Coit, D. D., Professor in Trinity College.**

“ **Samuel Cooke,\* Rector of St. Paul's, New Haven.**

“ **Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fairfield.**

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\* Those Clergymen to whose names an asterisk is attached were not present at any of the sessions of the Convention.



- The Rev. Joseph S. Covell,\* Rector of Christ Church, Bethlem.**
- “ **A. Cleveland Coxe, Rector of St. John's, Hartford.**
- “ **Harry Crosswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.**
- “ **Giles H. Deshon, Rector of St. Andrew's, Meriden.**
- “ **John G. Downing, Rector of Christ Church, Tashua.**
- “ **Samuel M. Emery, Rector of Trinity Church, Portland.**
- “ **Charles W. Everest, Rector of Grace Church, Hamden.**
- “ **Samuel J. Evans, Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.**
- “ **Charles R. Fisher, Minister of St. Peter's, Hebron.**
- “ **Henry Fitch, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.**
- “ **Edward O. Flagg, Rector of Trinity Parish, Norwich.**
- “ **Wm. H. Frisbie, Rector of Christ Church, Westport.**
- “ **Henry V. Gardner, Rector of Grace Church, Long Hill.**
- “ **Nathaniel L. Garfield,\* Minister of St. Andrew's, Northford.**
- “ **Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Stephen's, East Haddam.**
- “ **Frederick J. Goodwin, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.**
- “ **John M. Guion,\* Teacher in State Normal School, New Britain.**
- “ **Thomas T. Guion, Rector of St. James', Birmingham.**
- “ **Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. James', New London.**
- “ **John W. Hoffman, Rector of St. Peter's, Monroe.**
- “ **Frederick Holcomb, D. D., Minister of St. Matthew's, Plymouth.**
- “ **George W. Horne, Assistant Minister of St. John's, Waterbury.**
- “ **Enoch Huntington,\* Rector of Trinity Church, Nichols' Farms, residing at Bridgeport.**
- “ **Abner Jackson,\* Professor in Trinity College.**
- “ **S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D., LL. D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam, residing at Middletown.**
- “ **William Jarvis,\* residing at Portland.**
- “ **Wm. O. Jarvis,\* Rector of St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater, and Christ Church, Roxbury.**
- “ **Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.**
- “ **Truman Marsh,\* residing at Litchfield.**
- “ **Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Norwalk.**

**The Rev. J. D. Mead,\* residing at Norwalk.**

- “ Wm. F. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich
- “ Sylvester Nash, Minister of St. John's, Essex.
- “ Abel Nichols, Rector of Grace Church, Broad Brook.
- “ Joseph H. Nichols, Rector of St. Peter's, Cheshire.
- “ G. Huntington Nichols, Rector of St. John's, Salisbury.
- “ Geo. W. Nichols,\* Rector of Trinity Church, Milton, and  
St. Paul's, Bantam Falls.
- “ Henry D. Noble,\* Rector of St. Paul's, Brookfield.
- “ Abel Ogden, Rector of St. Matthew's, Wilton.
- “ Henry Olmstead, Jr., Rector of Trinity Church, Ansonia.
- “ Seth B. Paddock, Principal of Episcopal Academy, Che-  
shire.
- “ John A. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.
- “ Roswell Park, Rector of Christ Church, Pomfret.
- “ T. C. Pitkin, Associate Rector of Trinity Church, New  
Haven.
- “ Collis I. Potter, Minister of All Saints' Church, Wolcott.
- “ John Purves, Rector of St. Thomas', Bethel.
- “ Charles S. Putnam, Rector of Christ Church, Derby.
- “ James Rankine, Minister of St. Gabriel's, Windsor.
- “ Horace H. Reid, Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.
- “ Wm. Henry Rees, Rector of Trinity Church, Branford.
- “ Henry F. Roberts, Rector of St. James', Poquetanock.
- “ Robert C. Rogers,\* Rector of St. Paul's, Woodbury.
- “ Joseph Scott, Rector of St. Michael's, Naugatuck.
- “ James L. Scott, Minister of St. Andrew's, New Preston,  
and St. John's, Washington.
- “ Alonzo G. Shears, Minister of Christ Church, Sharon.
- “ David H. Short, Rector of St. Mark's, New Canaan.
- “ Frederick Sill, Missionary in Middlesex County.
- “ Wm. Staunton,\* Minister of St. Stephen's, Ridgefield.
- “ Benjamin W. Stone,\* Rector of St. Michael's, Litchfield.
- “ Joseph P. Taylor, Minister of Christ Church, Reading.
- “ Ambrose S. Todd, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Stamford.
- “ Charles Todd,\* Rector of St. Paul's, Huntington.
- “ David G. Tomlinson, Minister of the Church at Weston
- “ Henry Townsend, Rector of St. James', Westville.
- “ William E. Vibbert, Rector of St. James', Fair Haven.

**The Rev. Wm. F. Walker, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.**

- “ **Ransom Warner,\* Rector of St. Andrew's, Simsbury.**
- “ **Wm. Watson, Rector of St. Peter's, Plymouth.**
- “ **Nathaniel S. Wheaton, D. D., officiating in Christ Church, Hartford.**
- “ **Junius M. Willey, Rector of Calvary Church, Stonington.**
- “ **John Williams, D. D., President of Trinity College.**
- “ **Frederick B. Woodward,\* Rector of Christ Church, Middle Haddam.**
- “ **Benjamin M. Yarrington, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.**
- “ **Henry Zell, Rector of Christ Church, Bethany.**

**Total, 95.**

**CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS IN CONVENTION.**

**The Rev. B. Benham,**

**The Rev. J. Morgan,**

“ **J. J. Brandigee,**

“ **A. Spooner,**

“ **Peter S. Chauncey,**

“ **S. S. Stocking,**

“ **P. G. Clark,**

“ **G. S. White,**

“ **G. B. Hayden,**

“ **M. Wilcox.**

“ **E. J. Ives,**

**Total, 11.**

**CLERGYMEN OFFICIATING IN THE DIOCESE, WHO HAVE NOT YET PRESENTED DIMISSORY LETTERS.**

**The Rev. J. Reynolds, officiating in the Parishes of Kent and Canaan.**

**Total, 1.**

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.**

**James G. Blair, A. B.**

**Milton B. Benton.**

**Jonas G. French.**

**Edward Jessup, A. B.**

**Richard Green, (a man of color.)**

**Seth S. Chapin.**

**Benjamin F. Paddock, A. B.**

**Levi Burt Stimpson, A. B.**

**Reuel H. Tuttle, A. B.**

**John S. Dewey.**

**John C. Covell, A. B.**

**William Rudder, A. B.**

**Samuel Benedict, A. B.**

**Total, 13.**

# JOURNAL.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON, }  
*Feast of St. Barnabas, June 11, 1850.* }

AGREEABLY to appointment, the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Connecticut, met at this time and place, at 10½ o'clock, A. M. It having been arranged that the consecration of the new Church of St. James', in which the sittings were to be held, should take place on the same occasion, the Bishop, attended by his Clergy, first proceeded with this service. Morning Prayer was then read by the Rev. Thos. W. Coit, D. D., assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. Gurdon S. Coit. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. John Williams, D. D., from 1 Tim., iii. 9. Mr. James Rankine, A. M., was admitted to the Order of Deacons, the candidate being presented by the Rev. Dr. Williams. The Bishop was assisted in the Litany by the Rev. Dr. Croswell, and in the Communion Service by the Rev. Mr. Hallam, Rector of the Parish; the Rev. H. Croswell, D. D., and the Rev. Messrs. Coxe and Goodwin aiding in the delivery of the Elements.

Divine Service being ended, the Bishop took his seat as President of the Convention.

The list of the Clergy entitled to seats, prepared according to the requisition of Canon XI., was read by the Secretary of the last Convention, the Rev. Wm. Watson, when the following members of this order answered to their names, viz:

**The Rt. Rev. THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D. LL. D.**

**The Rev. David Baldwin,**

- “ Henry H. Bates,**
- “ E. Edwards Beardsley,**
- “ Lorenzo T. Bennett,**
- “ J. D. Berry, D. D.,**
- “ John H. Betts,**
- “ Joseph Brewster,**
- “ Wm. W. Bronson,**
- “ D. Burhans, D. D.**
- “ Alexander Capron,**
- “ James D. Carder,**
- “ A. B. Chapin,**
- “ J. L. Clark,**
- “ Jonathan Coe,**
- “ T. W. Coit, D. D.,**
- “ Gurdon S. Coit,**
- “ N. E. Cornwall,**
- “ A. C. Coxe,**
- “ H. Croswell, D. D.,**
- “ G. H. Deshon,**
- “ J. G. Downing,**
- “ Samuel M. Emery,**
- “ Charles W. Everest,**
- “ Samuel J. Evans,**
- “ Charles R. Fisher,**
- “ Henry Fitch,**
- “ Wm. H. Frisbie,**
- “ Henry V. Gardner,**
- “ Alpheus Geer,**
- “ Frederick J. Goodwin,**
- “ Thomas T. Guion,**
- “ Robert A. Hallam,**
- “ John W. Hoffman,**
- “ George W. Horne,**
- “ Frederick Holcomb, D. D.,**

The Rev. S. Farmar Jarvis, D. D.,  
 " Stephen Jewett,  
 " Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D.,  
 " Wm. F. Morgan,  
 " Sylvester Nash,  
 " G. Huntington Nichols,  
 " Joseph H. Nichols,  
 " Abel Nichols,  
 " Abel Ogden,  
 " Henry Olmstead, Jr.,  
 " Seth B. Paddock,  
 " John A. Paddock,  
 " Roswell Park,  
 " Thomas C. Pitkin,  
 " Collis I. Potter,  
 " John Purves,  
 " Charles S. Putnam,  
 " James Rankine,  
 " Horace H. Reid,  
 " Henry F. Roberts,  
 " Wm. H. Rees,  
 " Joseph Scott,  
 " James L. Scott,  
 " Alonzo G. Shears,  
 " David H. Short,  
 " Wm. Staunton,  
 " Joseph P. Taylor,  
 " Ambrose S. Todd, D. D.,  
 " Henry Townsend,  
 " Wm. E. Vibbert,  
 " Wm. Watson,  
 " Nathaniel S. Wheaton, D. D.,  
 " Junius M. Willey,  
 " John Williams, D. D.,  
 " Benjamin M. Yarrington,  
 " Henry Zell.

The Standing Committees, required by the 13th Rule of Order, were then chosen, on nomination by the chair, as follows:

*Admission of New Parishes.*

The Rev. Dr. CROSWELL,  
 " Mr. BEARDSLEY,  
 " " HALLAM,  
 Hon. W. W. BOARDMAN,  
 JEDEDIAH HUNTINGTON.

*Constitution and Canons.*

The Rev. Dr. JARVIS,  
 " " TODD,  
 " " HOLCOMB,  
 Hon. SAM'L H. HUNTINGTON,  
 ELIAS PIERPONT.

*Unfinished Business.*

The Rev. A. C. COXE,  
 " J. L. CLARKE,  
 " R. CAMP,  
 WM. H. ELLIS,  
 ELI F. ROGERS.

*Finance.*

The Rev. WM. WATSON,  
 " JOHN PURVES,  
 " N. E. CORNWALL,  
 Hon. P. RIPLEY,  
 JONATHAN STARR.

The Rev. J. Coe was appointed to receive the assessment of the several Parishes towards making up the deficiency in the Bishop's salary.

Thomas Belknap, Esq. was appointed to receive the assessments for the Convention Fund, and the contribution

| <i>Counties.</i>    | <i>Churches.</i>           | <i>Delegates.</i>      |
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| <b>FAIR HAVEN :</b> | Christ, Bethany,           | John Russell,*         |
|                     | St. Peter's, Cheshire,     | Charles French,*       |
|                     | Trinity, Branford,         | Benjamin A. Jarvis,    |
|                     | Christ, Derby,             | Eli F. Rogers,         |
|                     | Grace, Hamden,             | Joseph R. Palmer,*     |
|                     | St. James', Derby,         | Edward C. Remer,       |
|                     | St. James', Fair Haven,    | George D. Gower,.      |
|                     | St. John's, Waterbury,     | Thaddeus G. Birdseye,* |
|                     |                            | Ebenezer Wakelee,      |
|                     |                            | Samuel Moulthrop,*     |
|                     |                            | George Hults,          |
|                     |                            | J. M. L. Scovill,      |
|                     |                            | William Lamb,          |
| <b>FAIRFIELD :</b>  | St. Paul's, Norwalk,       | Joseph W. Hubbell,*    |
|                     | St. James', Danbury,       | T. Warner, Jr.,*       |
|                     | St. John's, Stamford,      | James H. Beebe,        |
|                     | Christ, Westport,          | F. C. Hoyt,            |
|                     | Trinity, Fairfield,        | John Ferguson,         |
|                     | St. Peter's, Monroe,       | Henry J. Sanford,      |
|                     | Christ, Stratford,         | John N. E. Valk,*      |
|                     | Grace, Long Hill,          | Zalmon Sanford,*       |
|                     | St. John's, Bridgeport,    | Jonathan Godfrey,      |
|                     | Christ, Greenwich,         | Henry Sturges,         |
|                     | St. Thomas', Bethel,       | Lynson Beardsley,      |
|                     |                            | William Nash,          |
| <b>WITCHFIELD :</b> | St. Peter's, Plymouth,     | Elijah Middlebrook,    |
|                     | St. John's, Washington,    | William P. Burrall,    |
|                     | Christ, Watertown,         | H. K. Harrall,         |
|                     | St. Andrew's, New Preston, | Drake Mead,            |
|                     |                            | Bartow F. White,*      |
|                     |                            | Clark B. Ferry,        |
|                     |                            | Orrin Benedict,        |
|                     |                            | Samuel T. Salisbury,*  |
|                     |                            | Samuel Todd,           |
|                     |                            | William Wright,        |
|                     |                            | Holbrook Curtis,       |
|                     |                            | C. A. Todd,            |



the devotions of this morning, and to heighten the solemnity with which we united in commemorating the dying love of that Divine Redeemer, who is Head over all things to His Church.

I trust, Brethren, that the interesting services in which we have participated, will continue to exercise their just influence on our minds, through all the business of our present meeting; and I devoutly pray that He who once presided, by His blessed Spirit, in the Council of the Holy Apostles, may graciously direct all our deliberations, at the present time; preserving us from prejudice, and every error, and leading us to the adoption of such measures as may best contribute to the promotion of His own glory, and the welfare of His Church.

Previous to offering any remarks of a more general nature, it is proper that I should lay before you, in obedience to the VIIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1841, a summary statement of my official acts, and an account of the changes which have taken place in the Diocese, since our last annual Convention.

I have administered the Holy Rite of Confirmation to 600 persons, in the following Parishes, viz :

|       |       |               |    |
|-------|-------|---------------|----|
| July  | 15th, | New Britain,  | 6  |
| "     | 22d,  | Cheshire,     | 4  |
| Sept. | 9th,  | Simsbury,     | 9  |
| "     | 16th, | Winsted,      | 6  |
| "     | "     | Wolcottville, | 7  |
| "     | 17th, | Northfield,   | 2  |
| "     | 18th, | Bantam Falls, | 8  |
| "     | "     | Milton,       | 8  |
| "     | 19th, | Litchfield,   | 4  |
| "     | 20th, | Bethlem,      | 10 |
| "     | "     | Woodbury,     | 7  |
| "     | 21st, | Watertown,    | 23 |

(Number carried up,)

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|-------|-------|--------------------------|-----|
|       |       | (Number brought up,)     | 94  |
| Sept. | 23d,  | New Haven, (St. Thomas') | 9   |
| "     | 24th, | Branford,                | 15  |
| "     | 25th, | Guilford,                | 14  |
| Oct.  | 10th, | North Canaan,            | 7   |
| "     | 11th, | Salisbury,               | 6   |
| "     | 12th, | Sharon,                  | 6   |
| "     | 13th, | Kent,                    | 8   |
| "     | 14th, | New Milford,             | 17  |
| "     | "     | New Preston,             | 19  |
| "     | 15th, | Washington,              | 2   |
| "     | 16th, | Roxbury,                 | 1   |
| 1850. |       |                          |     |
| Jan.  | 13th, | Tariffville,             | 7   |
| Feb.  | 24th, | New Britain,             | 4   |
| March | 29th, | Wallingford,             | 3   |
| "     | 30th, | Fair Haven,              | 14  |
| "     | "     | West Haven,              | 8   |
| "     | 31st, | New Haven, (St. Paul's)  | 36  |
| "     | "     | " " (Trinity)            | 30  |
| "     | "     | " " (St. Thomas')        | 15  |
| April | 7th,  | Long Hill,               | 13  |
| "     | "     | Bridgeport,              | 27  |
| "     | 8th,  | Southport,               | 13  |
| "     | 9th,  | Westport,                | 17  |
| "     | 10th, | Weston,                  | 6   |
| "     | 11th, | Wilton,                  | 11  |
| April | 14th, | Stamford,                | 13  |
| "     | "     | Greenwich,               | 5   |
| "     | 21st, | Naugatuc,                | 5   |
| "     | "     | Waterbury,               | 33  |
| "     | 28th, | Birmingham,              | 12  |
| "     | "     | Humphreysville,          | 20  |
| "     | 29th, | Stratford,               | 20  |
|       |       | (Number carried up,)     | 510 |

|         |       |                          |           |
|---------|-------|--------------------------|-----------|
|         |       | (Number brought up,)     | 510       |
| May     | 12th, | Hartford, (St. John's)   | 31        |
| "       | 19th, | Meriden,                 | 13        |
| "       | 22d,  | Stonington,              | 6         |
| "       | 26th, | Middletown,              | 14        |
| June    | 9th,  | Norwich, (Christ Church) | 17        |
| "       | "     | " (Trinity Church)       | 9         |
| In all, |       |                          | <hr/> 600 |

The following Candidates for the Ministry have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz :

July 26th, 1849, John A. Paddock, A. B., in St. Paul's Church, Cheshire.

Aug. 22d, 1849, Edw'd Octavus Flagg, in Christ Church, Hartford.

Sept. 19th, 1849, Gilbert B. Hayden, in St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.

" " William Oscar Jarvis, in St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.

Dec. 21st, 1849, Collis I. Potter, in Christ Church, Hartford.

May 26th, 1850, George White Horne, in Christ Church, Middletown.

And this day, June 11th, 1850, James Rankine, A.M., in St. James' Church, New London.

The following Deacons have been admitted to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, viz :

Sept. 18th, 1849, Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson, in St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls.

" " Rev. Frederick D. Harriman, in St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls.

Oct. 12th, 1849, Rev. Alonzo G. Shears, in Christ Church, Sharon.

Dec. 21st, 1849, Rev. Nathaniel Lyon Garfield, in Christ Church, Hartford.

Feb. 26th, 1850, Rev. Alexander Capron, in St. Mark's Church, New Britain.

April 30th, 1850, Rev. John A. Paddock, in Christ Church, Stratford.

May 22d, 1850, Rev. Edward Octavus Flagg, in Trinity Church, Norwich.

On Sunday, the 9th of June, I instituted the Rev. W. F. Morgan into the Rectorship of Christ Church, in the City of Norwich.

During the past year, an unusual number of our Clergy have been called to other Dioceses. Dimissory letters have been granted to the following, viz :

Rev. S. S. Stocking, }  
Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, } to the Diocese of New York.

Rev. Martin Moody, }  
Rev. George L. Foote, } to Western New York.

Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., to Virginia.

Rev. P. T. Babbitt, to North Carolina.

Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D., }  
Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, } to Massachusetts.

Rev. Francis J. Clerc, }  
Rev. David P. Sanford, } to Missouri.

Rev. Horace Hills, to Michigan.

Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson, to the jurisdiction of Bishop Kemper.

Rev. Frederick D. Harriman, to the Diocese of Indiana.

But though valuable Clergymen are thus lost to our Diocese, we trust that their labors will not be the less available in other portions of the Church. In the mean time, the ranks of our Clergy have been replenished by new Ordinations, and by accessions from other Dioceses. Of those received into this Diocese with Dimissory letters, the Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D. D., from the Diocese of New York, is now Professor of Ecclesiastical History in Trinity College. The Rev. Samuel J. Evans, from the same Dio-

cese, is in charge of the Parish at Saybrook ; the Rev. Alonzo G. Shears, from the same Diocese, has charge of the Parish of Sharon ; and the Rev. Nathaniel L. Garfield, from the same Diocese, has charge of the Parish of Northford. The Rev. John W. Hoffman, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is in charge of the Parish of Monroe. The Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, from the Diocese of Western New York, is in charge of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield. The Rev. H. H. Reid, from the Diocese of Kentucky, is in charge of the Parish of Watertown. The Rev. William Staunton, from the Diocese of New York, is in charge of the Parish of Ridgefield. The Rev. J. G. Downing, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is in charge of the Parish of Christ Church, Trumbull. The Rev. Henry Fitch has accepted the Rectorship of the Parish of Bristol.

Of the Deacons ordained since the last Convention, the Rev. John A. Paddock is now Rector of the Parish of Stratford ; the Rev. Edward O. Flagg is Rector of Trinity Parish, Norwich ; the Rev. Wm. O. Jarvis is Rector of the Parishes of Bridgewater and Roxbury ; the Rev. Collis I. Potter is officiating in the Parish of Wolcott ; the Rev. Gilbert B. Hayden is officiating at New Milford ; the Rev. James Rankine, ordained this day, is a Tutor in Trinity College, and in charge of the Parish of Windsor.

Many changes of location have taken place among the resident Clergy of the Diocese. The Rev. Joshua D. Berry, residing in Litchfield, has taken the charge of the Parish of Wolcottville. The Rev. John H. Betts has resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Monroe, and has been appointed Missionary to New Hartford. The Rev. Joseph Brewster has resigned the charge of St. Paul's Church, Windham, and has accepted the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford, in place of the Rev. Hilliard Bryant, who has become an Associate Instructor in the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire. The Rev. Peter S.

Chauncey has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Hartford. The Rev. Giles Deshon has accepted the Rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden. The Rev. Charles R. Fisher (residing in Hartford,) is officiating in St. Peter's Church, Hebron, vacated by the resignation of the Rev. Solomon G. Hitchcock. The Rev. J. W. Hoffman has resigned the charge of the Parish of Tashua, and accepted the charge of St. Peter's Church, Monroe. The Rev. Dr. Holcomb has resigned the Rectorship of the Church in Watertown, and is now officiating in the Parish of East Plymouth. The Rev. G. W. Nichols has resigned the charge of the Parish of Northfield, and has accepted the cure composed of the Parishes of Milton and Bantam Falls. The Rev. Henry Olmstead has resigned the charge of St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield, and has accepted a Missionary appointment at Ansonia. The Rev. Robert C. Rogers has resigned the charge of the Parish of Naugatuc, and has accepted the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Woodbury. The Rev. Wm. H. Rees has resigned the charge of the Parish of New Milford, and accepted the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Branford. The Rev. Joseph Scott has resigned the charge of the Parish of Stratford, and has accepted the Rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Naugatuc. The Rev. Frederic Sill has been acting as a Missionary in North Killingworth, and other parts of Middlesex County. The Rev. Dr. Wheaton is officiating in Christ Church, Hartford. The Rev. Abel Nichols has relinquished the charge of the Church of Windsor, and has accepted the Rectorship of Grace Church, Broad Brook.

The Rev. William Atwill has resigned the Parishes of Kent and Canaan, and removed to Western New York.

The Rev. J. Reynolds, has accepted the charge of the Parishes of Kent and Canaan, but has not yet presented his dimissory Letters.

The Rectorships of the Parishes of Christ Church, Hartford; Triuity Church, Newtown; St. John's Church, New

| <i>Counties.</i> | <i>Churches.</i>            | <i>Delegates.</i>    |
|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| LITCHFIELD :     | Christ, Sharon,             | Ansel Sterling,*     |
| N. LONDON :      | St. James', New London,     | Jonathan Starr,      |
|                  | Christ, Norwich,            | John J. Brandigee,   |
|                  | St. James', Poquetanock,    | Jedediah Huntington, |
|                  | Calvary, Stonington,        | James L. Day,        |
| MIDDLESEX :      | Trinity, Portland,          | James Geer,          |
|                  | St. Stephen's, East Haddam, | Ezra Chesebro, :     |
|                  | Christ, Middle Haddam,      | Daniel Russell,      |
|                  |                             | David Cornwall,*     |
|                  |                             | Chivers Brainard,*   |
|                  |                             | Orrin Warner,        |
|                  |                             | Jeremiah H. Taylor,  |
|                  |                             | Cyrus Hurd,          |
| WINDHAM :        | Christ, Pomfret,            | Edmund Wilkinson,*   |
|                  | Trinity, Brooklyn,          | William H. Putnam,   |
| TOLLAND :        | St. Peter's, Hebron,        | Henry H. Fitch,      |
|                  |                             | Frederick P. Bissel. |

The report of the Committee was accepted, and the list being called, the requisite number was found to be present.

On motion, Mr. Elias Pierpont, the Lay Delegate from St. Paul's, New Haven, being present without a certificate, was admitted to a seat.

The Rev. Wm. Watson was re-elected Secretary, and Daniel Russell, Esq., appointed Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted.

### Rules of Order.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced by Prayer.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the Chair.

old age, after much faithful labor in his Master's vineyard. The Rev. John D. Smith was suddenly removed from his earthly labors, in the meridian of life. The Rev. Frederick Miller, yet in the morning of his days, and the brief period of whose ministry afforded such high promise of future usefulness, has, in the inscrutable mystery of Providence, been consigned to an early grave.

My Brethren of the Clergy, these dispensations of Divine Providence call upon us all—the aged, those of middle age, and the younger Brethren, to be ever ready to give our final account of our Ministry ; and what our hands find to do, to do it with our might, knowing that there is no knowledge or device in the grave, whither we are hastening.

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BRETHREN : I have thus laid before you a record of the changes that have taken place in the Diocese since the last Convention, together with a summary of the Episcopal acts which I have performed. You will shortly be in possession of the Parochial Reports of the Clergy. From the whole, you will be able to form an estimate of the present state of the Diocese. I think you will conclude that we have much reason to be thankful to the Great Head of the Church for the measure of temporal and spiritual prosperity which prevails within our borders. We have witnessed no sudden and remarkable changes ; but a steady increase in numbers, strength, and vitality, has marked our course, during the thirty years that I have been permitted to minister amongst you. I know of no serious local difficulties in any of our Parishes, and the unity of sentiment, and harmony of feeling, which has so long characterized the Clergy of the Diocese, was never more happily exemplified than at the present time.

Unhappily, we cannot take the same cheering view of every portion of our Church. In our parent country, excitements and dissensions prevail ; and there have been



some defections from the faith of the Church. A few such defections have also occurred in our country. But though these defections are much to be deplored, I see nothing in them to occasion serious alarm, in regard to the general soundness of the Church. The number of the apostates is small and insignificant, in comparison with the great body of Churchmen who maintain their integrity. "They went out from us, because they were not of us." We may regret their secession, on their own account ; but we may be well satisfied that they have placed themselves in a position where their real sentiments are known, and where they can no longer expect to corrupt and betray their Brethren under false pretences. If their defection has been occasioned by conscientious conviction, however erroneous such conviction may be, we may respect and pray for them ; but we cannot exercise the same charity towards those who would seek to Romanize the Church, while they remain within her pale. This is nothing less than treachery ; and the Clergyman who would persist in such a course, is false to his vows. Every Clergyman, at his Ordination, solemnly engages to conform to the DOCTRINE, as well as worship, of the Protestant Episcopal Church ; and he promises, moreover, so to minister that doctrine, "as *this* Church hath received the same." He well knows what the Church expects from him, when she exacts these vows ; and if he takes them, or acts under them, with a mental reservation, and resorts to the subterfuge of giving his own private interpretation to the doctrines of the Church, he is justly chargeable with treachery and falsehood. If he begins to doubt the Catholicity of the Church in which he ministers, or the soundness of her faith, let him, as an honest man, suspend his ministrations till his doubts are solved. And if he believes the dictates of his conscience compel him publicly to withdraw from her communion, let him depart in peace, under his responsibility to his God. What we most de-

precate, is the treachery of perverting the doctrines of the Church, or the teaching of dogmas alien to her faith, while ministering at her Altars. And this treachery is equally to be censured, in whatever direction the false teaching may tend ;—whether to the superstitions of Romanism, or to the coldness and baldness of Rationalism.

Doubtless there may be allowed some latitude of construction, in the explanation of our doctrinal standards. But the discretion must be exercised with the most conscientious caution ; and no individual caprice should go beyond the general understanding of the Church.

Rationalism, or a leaning towards Rationalism, is beyond all question the prevailing error of our times and country. Its influence, indeed, is the most widely spread, and the most destructive, among the religious Denominations by whom we are surrounded. But as our Church has been so rapidly increased by accessions from these Denominations, it is not to be wondered at that traces of its influence should be discernible among some of the members of our own communion. This influence, however, is arrested in its proclivity to Infidelity, and is steadily fading away, under the more evangelical teachings and worship of the Church.

It is now in the opposite direction, that the apprehensions of our Church seem to be more especially called forth. Several of her Clergy, and some of her Laity have recently seceded to the Romish faith ; and yet this secession is not the principal occasion for the alarm. The number who have thus seceded is insignificant in comparison with those who yet remain behind, in a state of obvious sympathy with the feelings and doctrines of those who have departed. These sympathizers, and not the seceders, are the persons who are in a condition to make proselytes ; and who, if they put forth their influence, either publicly or in private, as they will hardly fail to do, are the real traitors of the Church.

Against the seductions of such, it behooves all the mem-

bers of the Church to be constantly on their guard. This vigilance is more specially incumbent on those who are in a course of preparation for the exercise of the sacred Ministry. These are yet in the position of inquirers. Their minds are open to instruction; and they have not yet acquired all that knowledge of the Scriptures, and of the history of the Church, which is necessary to enable them to distinguish between plain truth, and plausible error. In a few short years, too, these *learners* are to become Teachers in the Church, and each one the centre of an important local influence. They are precisely in the situation that one would wish, who was ambitious of propagating favorite opinions, and of making Proselytes. They may then expect to be addressed personally, or through the medium of the press, by those who wish to give a more Romish character to the Church. Under such circumstances, a watchful caution is the part of true wisdom. All novelties which are proposed should be received with distrust. There are too, certain doctrines and usages, much dwelt upon by the class of persons referred to, which, though true and proper under certain limitations, become erroneous when they are distorted or pushed to an extreme.

One of these which holds a prominent place, and is sometimes made to perplex the unwary, is the doctrine of CATHOLIC UNITY. Doubtless the Universal Church of Christ, holding one faith—a belief in the way of salvation by the mediation and atonement of the Son of God; being baptized into one baptism,—a baptism administered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and all the members being joined together in one body, by being thus united to Christ their Head, forms “*One Holy Catholic Church.*” But the Catholic Unity so much talked of, is something more vague and mysterious. Metaphysical subtilties are resorted to, in regard to the “Notes of a true Church;” and many curious refinements are employed in

reference to the precise line by which it is circumscribed. A visible centre of Unity, too, must be sought after ; and the guide posts are put up at such points as conduct the enquirer only to the Pope of Rome. In connexion with the doctrine of Catholic Unity, the English Reformation becomes the subject of unfavorable comment, and severe criticism. The licentiousness of Henry VIIIth, and the rapacity of his time-serving courtiers, are held up to just reprobation ; while the corruptions and abuses of Romanism which were rejected, and the pure faith of primitive Christianity which was established, together with all the blessings which have flowed to mankind from that Reformation, seem to be studiously forgotten.

The doctrines of *Auricular Confession*, and *Priestly Absolution*, are also favorite themes with the abettors of Romish error. The duty of confessing our sins to God in secret, as well as in the public services of the Church ; and the agency of a divinely appointed Ministry, in proclaiming God's pardon to the penitent, may be defended by "most certain warrant of Holy Scripture." The confession of particular sins to a spiritual guide, for counsel and instruction, is also commended in certain cases. But the private confession of *every particular sin* to a Priest, and the procuring of his absolution as a necessary condition of God's pardon, is a "fond conceit" of Rome. This latter view of the doctrine, taken in connexion with its necessary adjuncts, —the doctrines of Popish Penance, of Purgatory, and of Indulgences, has led to the most overbearing arrogation of priestly power, the grossest tyranny over the consciences of men, and the most degrading effects upon the intelligence and morals of society. Such doctrines could have gained footing in the world, only during the ignorance and superstition of the dark ages. They could receive no countenance in the present age, were it not for the tinge of superstition, and the love of ease, which are so congenial to the human mind. All men know that they are sinners

before God, and that they are obnoxious to the penalties which he has made consequent on guilt. If by simply confessing his sins to a Priest, submitting to the mild penance he may enjoin, and receiving his plenary Absolution, a man can believe that all the guilt of his past life is cancelled, to be remembered no more, and that he is entitled to the reversion of everlasting felicity, who would not purchase forgiveness and salvation at so easy a rate! And if, with a conscience thus at ease, he should again fall into a sinful course of life, with what alacrity would he again resort to the same efficacious sponge, to wipe away the traces of his guilt! And if in worldly matters, the settlement of a man's accounts, and the extinguishment of his debts, affords him so much complacency, how much more so when his eternal interests are concerned. But God has chosen a different way for the exercise of His mercy towards mankind. He is indeed ever ready to pardon and save all who are sincerely penitent for their sins, who gladly embrace the way of salvation through His Son, who obediently keep His holy laws, and who walk in all the ordinances which He has appointed for His Church. But this is a way of salvation which demands a constant and anxious vigilance. The Christian must be ever solicitous that his repentance is sufficiently deep and sincere, that his faith is sufficiently strong and ardent, and that his obedience springs from the dictates of a heart influenced by the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

The *performance of the Ritual* of our Church, is another medium through which tendencies towards Romanism may be encouraged. Among the multitude of ceremonial observances with which the Church was encumbered previous to the Reformation, some were significant of important truths, some were significant of pernicious errors, and some of mere unfounded superstitions. It was the object of our Reformers to free her from all such observances as did not conduce to the decency of public worship, and to the

maintenance of sound doctrine. This object they happily accomplished. The Puritans and other Dissenters went to an extreme of plainness, in the order of their services, and in their houses of worship, alike adverse to good taste and propriety. As one extreme begets another, there are those in our Church who would carry us back again to the showy ceremonial of the Romish Ritual. They may be influenced partly by the promptings of a fanciful temperament, but are probably more strongly impelled by a love of certain Romish doctrines, of which these ceremonies are the exponents. Symbolic teaching was a mode of instruction adopted in the dark ages, to communicate, through the medium of the senses, that which could not be so readily apprehended by uneducated intellects.

It may now be the policy of some to inculcate, by signs, doctrines from which the mind would revolt, if presented to it directly and plainly in words. The sacrifice of the mass, after the manner of the Romish Priests, is pronounced, by Article XXXI. of our Church, to be a "blasphemous fable," and "dangerous deceit." And yet, when the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered at her Altars, the Priest may perform the service with such an appearance of overstrained veneration and awe, with such bowings, and crossings, and genuflections, as plainly to symbolise the doctrine of *Transubstantiation*. "Let all things be done decently and in order," is the precept of the Apostle. This precept should teach us to avoid all theatrical display, on the one hand, and all levity or carelessness on the other; and to follow a middle course, between the ostentatious ceremonies of Rome, and the baldness of Dissent.

I may advert to one characteristic more, which seems generally to mark the admirers of Romish doctrines and institutions; and I may, perhaps, best do it in their own favorite language—"a *yearning after greater holiness*." I believe such professions are generally made in great sin-

cerity. But there is ~~much difference~~ between a morbid desire and an earnest endeavor: between ~~distance~~ and reality. Young persons, and ~~some of~~ imaginative temper, who have felt the hindrances ~~to~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~pure~~ <sup>and</sup> devotion which are created by the ~~assessments and business~~ of life, often envy the seclusion of the ~~monastery~~ <sup>convent</sup> or the ~~monastery~~ <sup>hermitage</sup>; as if religious affections could be cultivated only in solitude.—And as such seclusion is ~~generally~~ <sup>generally</sup> ~~unobtainable~~, the feeling often seeks relief in the performance of a round of ceremonial observances.

The indolence and corruption which was brought to light at the breaking up of the Monastic Institutions of England, has demonstrated that such institutions may be the nurseries of vice, as well as of piety. And it is probable that the like institutions now existing in Europe, would hardly be found in a better moral condition.

Pure religion is founded in an unfeigned love to God and to mankind. As such, it must be an active principle. It exhausts not itself in solitary meditations, nor in elaborate ceremonial observances. It is best demonstrated by sincere devotion, in the public and private worship of God, and by an unfeigned obedience to all the Divine commands, while pursuing the active duties of life. He who is earnestly engaged in the performance of these duties, will find abundant scope for the exercise of his religious affections, without the “*strenuous inertia*” of counting beads, or a yearning after—he knows not what.

BRETHREN: In the remarks which I have now addressed to you, you must be aware that I have had in my mind a class of persons who are desirous of assimilating the character of our Church more nearly to that of Rome. Their numbers I do not pretend to estimate, though I am well convinced of the existence of such a class, comprising laymen as well as clergymen. They may not, and probably do not, all entertain the same views in regard to the changes they would effect. Some may be satisfied with holding

all Romish doctrine, as matter of opinion, and yet remaining quietly in the exercise of their ministry. Others have been determined to *revolutionize the Church*, or to quit her communion. Some have already abandoned it—more may follow. It is quite time, then, that the Church should be on her guard.

Within the past year, several articles have appeared in "The Calendar," (the religious Periodical of our Diocese) in relation to the subject here referred to. They seem to have been written with a correct knowledge of facts; and to have been designed to arrest in their course those who have since seceded; to admonish those who were wavering; to guard the unwary against deceptive teaching; and to serve as a Protest, in behalf of this Diocese, against every Romanizing movement. I had no participation in the writing of those articles; but I think it right to say that the measure had my entire approbation.

BRETHREN: I think you will bear me witness that I am no disturber of the peace of the Church, and that I am not addicted to unnecessary controversy. But when errors are abroad in the Church, those whom Providence has placed as watchmen upon her walls, should not hesitate to give the necessary warning. It may, perhaps, be apprehended by some, that in the present case, the sound of alarm may create too general a distrust, and that it may bring suspicion upon those who do not justly deserve it. But in regard to Romish errors, the position of no Churchman, and especially of no Clergyman of the Church, should be, in the least, equivocal.

It is true, indeed, that religious controversy is very liable to be carried on with uncharitable feelings. This consideration should lead us to guard our own hearts with care.—But the good Providence of God, which brings light out of darkness, often illustrates important truths by the exposure of error. Let us devoutly pray that the same good Providence may so direct the discussions which are now going



on in the Church, that prejudice and uncharitableness may be restrained, that the cause of truth and righteousness may prevail, and that the Church itself may be built up, enlarged, and established, in the most holy Faith.

T. C. BROWNELL.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to attend Divine Service, and listen to the Annual Sermon before the Christian Knowledge Society, to resume its proceedings at the close of these services.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, presented his Report;\* also a Report† of sums received under the Canon providing for the wants of Aged and Infirm Clergymen; which, on motion, were referred, without being read, to the Committee of Finance.

The Treasurer of the Convention, Thomas Belknap, Esq. presented his Report,‡ which, without being read, was referred to the same committee.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet for Divine Service, at 6 o'clock, and for Business at 8 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the election of the Standing Committee and of Delegates to the General Convention, be made the order of the day at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Rev. Dr. Croswell, chairman of the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, made the following

### Report.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes report: That they have received and examined papers, certifying to the organization

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\* See Appendix B.

† See Appendix C.

‡ See Appendix D.

ation of a new Parish in the city of Norwich, by the name of Trinity Church, and have found them correct, and recommend that the said Parish be received into union with the Convention. The Committee further report—that they have had papers laid before them, certifying to the organization of a new Parish in the village of Ansonia, by the name of Trinity Church—that they have found the documents in all respects correct, and recommend that this Parish likewise be received into union with the Convention.

The Report was accepted, and, on motion, the Parishes were severally received.

The Rev. Edward O. Flagg appeared and took his seat as Rector of Trinity Church, Norwich. Mr. Samuel Tyler was also admitted as Lay Delegate of the same Parish.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the state of the Church, be referred to a committee of five, to be appointed by the Convention. The Rev. Messrs. Clark, Coxe, and Mead, of the Clergy, and Wm. W. Boardman and Phillip Ripley, Esqrs., of the Laity, were chosen this committee.

On motion, the Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society.

The Convention having been re-organized,

On motion, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 12, 1850—6 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met for Divine Service, pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Putnam, as far as the Creed, and concluded by the Rev. Mr. Coe.

8 o'clock.

The Convention met for business, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Roll of both orders was called by the Secretary.

The Rev. Frederick Sill appeared and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, and, after correction, approved.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following

### Report.

The Committee on Unfinished Business find nothing to report, except that a Committee on Documents, appointed in 1848, (see Journal, p. 25,) has not reported; and that a Committee on the Bishop's Fund, (see Journal of 1849, p. 26,) and a Committee on the Seabury Monument, (p. 33, *Ibid*,) are to report at this Convention.

A. C. COXE,  
WM. H. ELLIS,  
J. L. CLARK.

The Rev. Mr. Coxe having declined to serve on the Committee on the Bishop's Address, the Rev. Mr. Goodwin was appointed in his place.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to ascertain and report the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to which this Diocese is entitled; and also to report the names of suitable persons to be nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees of this Diocese for the ensuing three years.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, the Rev. A. C. Coxe, and S. H. Huntington, Esq., were appointed this Committee.

The hour having arrived for the order of the day, viz: the election of the Standing Committee, and Delegates to the General Convention, the following gentlemen were elected:

## STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D.,  
 “ S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D.,  
 “ WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.,  
 “ ROBERT A. HALLAM,  
 “ JACOB L. CLARK.

The Convention then divided, for the purpose of appointing Delegates to represent this Diocese in the next General Convention. The two Orders having re-united, the Bishop announced that the following gentlemen had been appointed on the part of the

## CLERGY.

The Rev. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D.,  
 “ S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D.,  
 “ WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D.,  
 “ ROBERT A. HALLAM.

The following Report was presented on the part of the

## LAITY.

The meeting of Lay Delegates of the Convention of the Diocese of Connecticut, held in New London, June 12th, 1850, was organized by the appointment of the Hon. Phillip Ripley as Chairman, and Dr. P. A. Jewett as Secretary.

The following gentlemen were appointed Delegates to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to be held in Cincinnati, Oct. 2, 1850 :

WM. T. LEE, Esq.,  
 Hon. W. W. BOARDMAN,  
 JOHN FERGUSON, Esq.,  
 DANIEL RUSSELL, Esq.

Attest,

PHILLIP RIPLEY, Chairman.

P. A. JEWETT, Secretary.

*New London, June 12, 1850.*

The Delegates thus appointed were then confirmed by concurrent vote of both Orders.

The Committee on the Testimonials of Lay Delegates reported the examination and approval of the certificate of the Delegate from Grace Church, Long Hill, Elijah Midbrook, who, on motion, was admitted to his seat.

The Parochial Reports\* being called for, they were handed in to the Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis presented the

### Annual Missionary Report.

The fourteenth Canon having made it the duty of the Board of Directors of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge to lay before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, at the opening of its session, a statement of the amount of means needed for the current year, they cannot well discharge it without rendering an account of their proceedings during that which is now past.

Beside the ordinary subsidies to the weaker parishes, which have generally been limited to fifty dollars, and sometimes less, from the necessity of keeping within the means afforded them by the Diocese, they have directed their attention principally to New Hartford, Broad Brook, and Middlesex County.

New Hartford being a new and thriving manufacturing village the Bishop appointed the Rev. J. H. Betts, in December last, to reside thither as a Missionary. There were at that time very few persons in the village who even called themselves Churchmen; but some of the members of several families had, under various and apparently accidental circumstances, formed favorable prepossessions for the offices and Apostolic order of the Church. Some had, in ten years, when the mind is sensitive and the affections simple and strong, been present at her solemnities. Others had heard of freedom from sectarian animosity. All were thus predisposed to join in the worship of the prayer-book, and to listen to the authoritative teachings of the Ministry. In this favorable statu

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\* See Appendix A.

things the Missionary entered upon his labors ; and now, at the expiration of scarcely six months, and those the most inclement, from 150 to 200 persons are in attendance on Divine worship. The services are well sustained ; the responses ardent and full of feeling. There are about seventy families, beside about fifty or sixty young men, who have signified their intention to connect themselves with the Parish when it shall be organized. The Missionary began to reside there in April, constantly going from house to house, distributing prayer-books and tracts, and daily instructing the people of his charge. Previous to that time, he had been employed in collecting funds for the erection of a Church. In this he has been so successful that the required amount has been nearly raised, and measures will soon be taken to lay the corner-stone. The people of New Hartford have themselves contributed toward the Church \$2400.

The condition of Broad Brook is somewhat different. Its commencement was analogous to that of New Hartford ; but adverse occurrences had clouded the bright prospects of its origin. Pecuniary disasters among its zealous members had crippled its resources. The Rev. F. J. Clerc, who had labored among them, removed to another field. They became disheartened ; and it was necessary to strengthen the things which remained and were ready to die. The Board requested the Bishop to use discretionary powers in the application of funds, and his promptness, under God's blessing, saved the Church. The Bishop sent to them, first, the Rev. Mr. Hayden, and afterward, more permanently, the Rev. Mr. Fitch. This latter Missionary entered on his labors in November last, and the services of the Church were sustained for twenty-two successive Sundays, or until Easter. By a judicious arrangement, Mr. Fitch, in supplying the Parish of St. John's, Warehouse Point, enabled its Rector to spend some time in this Missionary field ; and thus threw greater strength into the remedies for the existing peril. Mr. Fitch himself officiated twenty Sundays. The result is shown by the fact that at Easter, when he resigned his charge to enter untired on other duties, the Parish was able to offer the Rev. Abel Nichols \$500 a year, and thus to become self-supporting.

The condition of Middlesex County is such as to need the aid of the Diocese. It has but two strong Parishes, and the greater part of the County is in a most deplorable state of ignorance and confu-

The Rev. Dr. Mead, Chairman of the Committee appointed on vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, made the following

### R e p o r t .

The Committee appointed to ascertain and report on the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to which this Diocese is entitled, and to propose the names of suitable persons to be nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees of this Diocese, for the ensuing three years, report: That this Diocese is entitled to fourteen Trustees, and propose the names of the following persons as suitable to represent this Diocese in the said Board, viz:

The Rev. S. F. Jarvis, D. D., LL. D.; the Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D.; the Rev. R. A. Hallam; the Rev. Wm. Watson; the Rev. S. Jewett; the Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, D. D.; the Rev. A. C. Coxe; the Rev. Jacob L. Clarke; the Rev. F. J. Goodwin; the Rev. T. C. Pitkin; and S. H. Huntington, Wm. H. Scovill, S. G. Cornell, and Wm. H. Ellis, Esqrs.

WM. COOPER MEAD, Chairman.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Report be accepted, and that the persons therein named be nominated.

The following amendment to Article VI. of the Constitution was proposed, viz:

That after the word "*functions*", the following be added:

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On motion, this amendment was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The Committee on the Bishop's Fund made the following

sion. Mormon preachers, Millerites, and Universalists, are gradually sapping all the fundamentals of faith and morals. The people who are well disposed are in perplexity, and know not what to believe. The Church of North Killingworth, which had been sustained by having service only once a month for many years, was gradually losing its young people, who were attracted by the more frequent and exciting impulses of sectarian zeal. The Board therefore appointed the Rev. Frederick Sill as a Missionary at large, and appropriated \$200 for his support until Easter of the present year. Mr. Sill has been active and industrious and fervent in spirit, and has no doubt done much good; but the Board regret that they have not received his Report, and are consequently unable to give any definite account of his ministrations. The Rev. Dr. Jarvis preached and administered the Holy Communion on Easter Sunday in North Killingworth, and bears his testimony to the much improved state of the Parish.

Having thus given a very concise and imperfect account of these Missionary arrangements for the past year, the Board is now prepared to give some statement of the means necessary for the year to come. The ordinary appropriations to the weaker Parishes are estimated, for eighteen Churches, at \$875. The special appropriations which are thought necessary, to New Hartford, Thompsonville, Tariffville, Willimantic and its vicinity in Windham County, and to Ansonia, are estimated at \$1200. In this estimate Middlesex County is not included, because the Board were unable, till they had received the Report of the Missionary, to form any mature opinion of its wants. The two sums amount to \$2125. The balance now in the treasury will be nearly absorbed when the appropriations for the past year have all been paid. The Board are therefore, of opinion that the new Board will need, at least, \$2500 for the ensuing year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

T. C. BROWNELL, President.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Secretary.



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## Report.

The Committee appointed on the subject of the Bishop's Fund, beg leave to report :

That they have attended to the duty assigned them, and have obtained from the Treasurer a statement of the indebtedness of the Diocese to the Bishop, and beg leave to present the same for the consideration of this Convention. The Committee would recommend that the present plan of assessment be continued until the present indebtedness to the Bishop be liquidated.

AMBROSE S. TODD,  
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion, the Report was accepted, and the accompanying statement\* of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis, Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented the following abstract of their proceedings for the past year, which is entered on the Journal, in accordance with Canon VI. :

### Standing Committee.

*Abstract of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Convention of 1849 to the Convention of 1850.*

There have been six meetings of the Standing Committee during the past year, viz :

I. According to the ninth article of the Constitution, the Standing Committee met for organization on the day of their appointment, June 12th, 1849. All the members were present, viz: the Rev. Doctors Croswell, Mead, and Jarvis, and the Rev. Messrs. Hallam and Clark. Dr. Croswell was elected President, and Dr. Jarvis, Secretary.

II. The second meeting was held at Hartford, August 1st, 1849, all the members being present. Mr. Benjamin A. Paddock and Mr.

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Levi Burt Stimpson were recommended to the Bishop, to be received as Candidates for Holy Orders ; Mr. Edward O. Flagg was recommended for Deacons' orders, and the Rev. Frederick Durbin Harri-  
man, Deacon, to be ordered Priest.

III. The third meeting was held at New Haven, September 17th, 1849. Four members were present, the Secretary being ill and unable to attend. Mr. Gilbert Brush Hayden was recommended to be ordered Deacon, and the Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson, Deacon, to be ordered Priest. The assent of the Standing Committee was given to the Consecration of the Rev. William M. Greene, D. D., Bishop elect of Mississippi, and of the Rev. George Upfold, Bishop elect of Indiana.

IV. The fourth meeting was held at New Haven, December 18th, 1849. The Secretary being still unable to attend, four members only were present. Mr. Collis I. Potter, Candidate, was recommended for Deacons' orders, and the Rev. Alexander Capron, Deacon, to be ordered Priest. The Rev. Nathaniel L. Garfield, Deacon, was recommended in like manner.

V. The fifth meeting was held at New Haven, April 29th, 1850, all the members being present. Mr. John S. Dewey was recommended, with dispensation as to Hebrew, Greek, and Latin languages, to be admitted Candidate. Mr. George White Horne, Candidate, was recommended for Deacons' orders, and the Rev. John A. Paddock and the Rev. Edward O. Flagg, Deacons, to be ordered Priests.

VI. The sixth meeting was held at New London on the 10th, and, by adjournment, on the 11th of June, 1850. Present, all the members. Mr. James Rankine, A. M., a Candidate for Holy Orders, was recommended to the Bishop to be ordered Deacon ; after which, according to the provisions of the eleventh Canon, the Standing Committee assisted the Bishop in making out the list of Clergy who are entitled, and of those not entitled, to seats in Convention. They then resolved themselves into the Board of Direction for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, and, having prepared their report thereon, adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Secretary.

The Committee appointed to solicit funds for the erection of the Monument to Bishop Seabury, made the following

### Report.

The Committee appointed to collect funds for the erection of a Monument to Bishop Seabury, respectfully report, that the amount required has been made up by additional subscriptions, received by the Treasurer, as follows :

|                                            |         |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|
| The Rev. William Shelton, D. D.,           | \$5 00  |
| Rev. H. Olmstead, (a second contribution,) | 7 00    |
| Hon. John S. Peters,                       | 5 00    |
| Rev. William F. Morgan,                    | 2 00    |
|                                            | <hr/>   |
|                                            | \$19 00 |

The amount thus paid by the parishes of the Diocese, and appropriated to the purposes of the Monument, has been \$700.

WM. F. MORGAN,  
WM. JARVIS, Treasurer,  
RICHARD ADAMS.

The Report was accepted.

On motion, the Convention resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society.\*

The Convention having been re-organized,

The following amendment to Article XIV. of the Constitution, was proposed, viz :

*“The Delegates from this Diocese to the General Convention, shall be appointed by ballot in open Convention ; and the Delegates thus appointed, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. There shall also be appointed in the same manner, an equal number of alternates, who may occupy such seats as may not be occupied by the Delegates. Should any of the seats belonging to this Dio-*

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*cese in the General Convention be unoccupied, the Bishop of the Diocese shall have power to fill such vacancy."*

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the foregoing proposed Amendment be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, with instructions to report at the next annual Convention.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be permitted, the present year, to insert, as an Appendix to the Journal, the Report of the Treasurer of the Litchfield County Association.\*

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons made the following

### **R e p o r t .**

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the following amendment of Article VI. of the Constitution, viz : that, after the word "functions," the following be inserted : "Clerical Members of the Board of Trustees of Trinity College, and of the Bishop's Fund—and all clergymen canonically connected with the Diocese, who, during the year preceding the session of the Convention in which they may take seats, shall have discharged the duties of any office or appointment received from the Convention of the Diocese, or from the General Convention of this Church," report : that they have taken the same into consideration ; and although they are unanimously in favor of the principle which admits all the Clergy in good standing, yet, as the Convention last year refused to admit so fundamental a change, they agree to recommend the present amendment to be entered on the Journal, that, according to the Constitution, it may be acted upon at the Convention of 1851.

By order of the Committee.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, Chairman.

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The Committee on the Bishop's Address made the following

### Report.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the state of the Church, beg leave to report the following preamble and resolutions :

*Whereas*, the Bishop of the Diocese has thought proper to address the Convention respecting certain theological tendencies and errors, which have produced cases of apostasy from the Church, in some instances, to the Romish Communion, and are known to have sympathizers among others who still remain in the Church ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That this Convention do hereby express their most hearty concurrence in the opinions, counsels, and warnings, of our beloved Diocesan.

*Resolved*, That this Convention do bear witness that our Bishop is " no disturber of the peace of the Church—that he is not addicted to unnecessary controversy"—and we fully believe that all he has said is just and seasonable, and demands our grateful and serious attention.

*Resolved*, That this Convention concurs in the sentiments of approval, expressed by the Bishop, of the stand taken by The Calendar, in relation to these matters.

*Resolved*, That two thousand copies of the Address be published to be distributed with the Journal, and that it be earnestly recommended to the Clergy to bring the same in some way before their people.

J. L. CLARK,  
WM. W. BOARDMAN,  
PHILLIP RIPLEY,  
F. J. GOODWIN,  
WM. COOPER MEAD.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the vote on the foregoing resolutions be taken by Ayes and Nays.

It being demanded that the third resolution should be

acted upon separately, the Convention proceeded to vote upon the first, second, and fourth, conjointly.

The vote was as follows :

### C L E R G Y .

#### AYES.

|                         |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| The Rev. Mr. Beardsley, | The Rev. Dr. Mead, |
| Dr. Berry,              | Mr. W. F. Morgan,  |
| Mr. Betts,              | Nash,              |
| Brewster,               | G. H. Nichols,     |
| Dr. Burhans,            | J. H. Nichols,     |
| Mr. Capron,             | A. Nichols,        |
| Chapin,                 | Olmstead,          |
| Clark,                  | S. B. Paddock,     |
| Coe,                    | J. A. Paddock,     |
| Dr. Coit,               | Park,              |
| Mr. Coit,               | Pitkin,            |
| Cornwall,               | Potter,            |
| Coxe,                   | Purves,            |
| Dr. Croswell,           | Putnam,            |
| Mr. Deshon,             | Reid,              |
| Downing,                | Roberts,           |
| Emery,                  | Rees,              |
| Everest,                | J. Scott,          |
| Evans,                  | J. L. Scott,       |
| Fisher,                 | Shears,            |
| Fitch,                  | Short,             |
| Flagg,                  | Dr. Todd,          |
| Gardner,                | Mr. Townsend,      |
| Geer,                   | Vibbert,           |
| Goodwin,                | Watson,            |
| T. T. Guion,            | Dr. Wheaton,       |
| Hallam,                 | Mr. Willey,        |
| Hoffman,                | Dr. Williams,      |
| Horne,                  | Mr. Yarrington,    |
| Dr. Holcomb,            | Zell.              |
| Mr. Jewett,             |                    |

Ayes, 61.

The Rev. Mr. Baldwin, the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, and the Rev. Mr. Sill, were, on motion, excused from voting.

The Rev. Henry H. Bates, and the Rev. Wm. W. Bronson asked to be excused from voting, and a motion being made to that effect in each individual case, the request was denied; whereupon they severally directed their votes to be recorded in the negative.

## NAYS.

The Rev. Mr. Bates,  
Bronson,  
Camp,

The Rev. Mr. Ogden,  
Taylor.

Nays, 5.

## L A I T Y .

## AYES.

Mr. S. H. Huntington,  
Ripley,  
Lee,  
Wilson,  
Boardman,  
Pierpont,  
Jewett,  
Buddington,  
Ellis,  
A. P. Curtis,  
Jarvis,  
Ferguson,  
Godfrey,  
Sturges,  
Nash,

Mr. Mead,  
Russell,  
S. Todd,  
Wright,  
H. Curtis,  
Starr,  
Brandigee,  
J. Huntington,  
Day,  
Tyler,  
Geer,  
Middlebrook,  
Chesebro,  
Taylor.

Ayes, 29.

## NAY.

Mr. Hoyt—1.

Clergy—Ayes, 61 : Nays, 5.

Laity—Ayes, 29 : Nay, 1.

So the first, second, and fourth Resolutions passed.



The Convention then proceeded to vote on the third Resolution.

The Rev. Mr. Coxe was, on motion, excused from voting.  
The vote being taken, it was as follows :

### C L E R G Y .

#### AYES.

The Rev. Mr. Baldwin,  
Beardsley,  
Dr. Berry,  
Mr. Brewster,  
Dr. Burhans,  
Mr. Capron,  
Chapin,  
Clark,  
Coe,  
Dr. Coit,  
Mr. Coit,  
Cornwall,  
Dr. Croswell,  
Mr. Deshon,  
Emery,  
Everest,  
Evans,  
Fisher,  
Fitch,  
Flagg,  
Gardner,  
Geer,  
Goodwin,  
Hallam,  
Horne,  
Dr. Holcomb,

The Rev. Mr. Jewett,  
Dr. Mead,  
Mr. W. F. Morgan,  
Nash,  
G. H. Nichols,  
J. H. Nichols,  
A. Nichols,  
S. B. Paddock,  
J. A. Paddock,  
Park,  
Pitkin,  
Potter,  
Reid,  
Roberts,  
Rees,  
J. Scott,  
J. L. Scott,  
Sill,  
Shears,  
Dr. Todd,  
Mr. Townsend,  
Vibbert,  
Watson,  
Dr. Wheaton,  
Mr. Yarrington,  
Zell.

Ayes, 52.

## NAYS.

The Rev. Mr. Bates,  
Camp,  
Olmstead,

The Rev. Mr. Taylor,  
Willey.

Nays, 5.

The Rev. John W. Hoffman asked to be excused from  
ting, and a motion being made to that effect, the request  
denied; whereupon he refused to vote.

The following also refused to vote:

The Rev. Dr. Jarvis,  
Mr. Ogden,

The Rev. Mr. Purves,  
Short.

## L A I T Y .

## AYES.

Mr. S. H. Huntington,  
Ripley,  
Lee,  
Wilson,  
Boardman,  
Pierpont,  
Jewett,  
Buddington,  
Ellis,  
A. P. Curtis,  
Jarvis,  
Hults,  
Ferguson,  
Godfrey,

Mr. Sturges,  
Nash,  
Mead,  
Russell,  
Todd,  
Wright,  
H. Curtis,  
Starr,  
Brandigee,  
J. Huntington,  
Day,  
Tyler,  
Geer,  
J. H. Taylor.

Ayes, 28.

## NAYS.

Mr. Hoyt,

Mr. Chesebro.

Nays, 2.

Clergy—Ayes, 52: Nays, 5.

Laity—Ayes, 28: Nays, 2.

So the third Resolution passed.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee as a whole be adopted.

On motion, adjourned to meet at half past 2 o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled, the Bishop presiding.

On motion, Messrs. Pliny A. Jewett and Wm. W. Boardman, and the Rev. J. H. Nichols were appointed a Committee to ascertain whether there are any vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Academy, and if there be such, to nominate suitable persons to fill the same.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That 1250 copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed and distributed under the direction of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

The Committee on the Episcopal Academy reported, that they had found two vacancies in the Board of Trustees of that Institution, one of which had been occasioned by the removal of the Rev. Silas Totten, D. D., from the Diocese, and the other by the death of the Hon. Reuben Booth. The Committee nominated the Rev. Joseph H. Nichols in the place of Dr. Totten, and Warren Doolittle, Esq., in the place of the Hon. Reuben Booth.

The Report was accepted, and on motion, the nominations were severally confirmed.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were then offered, and, on motion, unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, the Diocese of Connecticut delights to honor the venerated memory of her first Bishop; and whereas the extraordinary events which have marked the character of the Festival of St. Barnabas, A. D. 1850, exclude the possibility of any inconvenient precedent; and whereas, it is the duty of this Church to give new impulse to its operations for the promotion of Christian Knowledge. Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be, and they

hereby are presented to the Rev. John Williams, D. President of Trinity College, and the Rev. Thomas C. Pitkin, Assistant Rector of Trinity Church, New Ha for the Sermons delivered that day before this Convention that a copy of the same be requested for publication; that, if they accede to this request, both Sermons be published, and distributed with the Journal of this Convention.

*Resolved*, That the expense of their publication be paid by the Treasurer, from the Convention Fund.

The Committee on Finance made the following

### Report.

The Committee on Finance report :

That they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention ; also that of the Treasurer of the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, together with the report of the receipts and disbursements of the Infirm Clergy and Widows' Fund and that, on comparing them with their several vouchers, they were found to be entirely correct.

WM. WATSON, Chairman.

The Report was accepted.

*Resolved*, That after the reading of the minutes, and usual devotions, this Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

A Psalm was then sung, and prayers were offered by the Bishop, to which was added the Apostolic Benediction : Whereupon the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, D. D., LL. D.  
Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Convention.

Attested,

WM. WATSON, *Secretary*.

DANIEL RUSSELL, *Assistant Secretary*.

# APPENDIX A.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### Hartford County.

#### *Christ Church, Hartford.*

THE REV. P. S. CHAUNCEY, LATE RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults 2; infants 30; total 32. Marriages 11. Funerals 24. Communicants—reported at the last Convention 422; died 2; removed into the Parish 10; added anew 10; removed from the Parish 29; present number 411. Contributions—Domestic Missions \$224 70; Foreign Missions \$233 90; Church Scholarship Society \$125; Christian Knowledge Society \$101 62; Communion Alms \$421 30; Miscellaneous \$581; total \$1,687 52.

Since the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Chauncey, the charge of the Parish has been committed to the Rev. Drs. Wheaton, Coit, and Williams.

THE REV. P. S. CHAUNCEY.

Immediately after I had closed my services at Christ Church, Hartford, on Sunday, March 31st, I accepted an invitation from the Vestry of St. Bartholomew's Church, in the city of New York, to supply the place of the Rector during his absence from the Parish on account of ill health. I entered upon my duties there on the first Sunday in May.

On the 7th and 14th of May, I officiated at St. Gabriel's, Windsor; on Sunday, the 21st, I supplied St. John's, Hartford, at the request of the Rector, then absent; and on the 28th, I assisted the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Trinity College, in the services at St. John's.

*St. John's Church, Hartford.*

THE REV. A. CLEVELAND COXE, RECTOR.

The Rector respectfully reports to his Diocesan :

Baptisms—Catechumens 15; infants 31; total 46. Confirmed 31. Marriages 9. Burials 26. Communicants—deceased 5; removed 12; added 41; students of Trinity College 19; total 270. Families 170. Sunday School—teachers 28; scholars 120. Collections—offertory \$287 41; Churching \$1; Parochial Fund \$323 90; Parochial Library \$84 50; Domestic Missions \$77; Foreign Missions \$47; Church Scholarship \$26 65; Infirm Clergy Fund \$55 50; Christian Knowledge Society \$37 50; Minnesota \$83; Winsted \$39 50; Swedes' Church, Chicago \$30; Milford \$89 50; Broad Brook \$133; New Hartford \$107; total \$1422 46.

During the year, the Chancel of the Church has been improved and beautified, and corresponding alterations have been made, to render the whole more suitable to the Service, at an expense of \$750. Gas lights have been introduced, at the sole expense of a single parishioner, amounting to about \$500.

The Rector is happy to report an increased attendance upon all the Services, Lectures, and Catechisings. He has had under his own instruction, in addition to the children's classes, two classes of young people, preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, or their First Communion; and a class of young men, to whom he has taught the elements of Christian Morals, using the Book of Proverbs as a textbook. From this system of catechising he has been led to anticipate a good result; and no other mode of teaching has so much encouraged him.

Services are celebrated daily in Lent, once on Wednesdays, twice on Fridays, and once on all feasts and fasts throughout the year; with Lectures on Friday evenings, and on every evening of Passion Week. The Holy Communion has been celebrated publicly seven-

teen times. On Wednesdays and Fridays, after Morning Prayers, short extracts are read from the lives of eminent Christians and primitive Saints, or from Missionary periodicals.

*St. James' Church, West Hartford.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.*

THE REV. WILLIAM STAUNTON, LATE RECTOR.

Families 74. Communicants—added by removal 5; lost by removal 4; present number 105. Baptisms—adults 3; infants 4; total 7. Burials 4. Collections—Domestic Missions \$16 51; Foreign Missions \$4 28; Christian Knowledge Society \$2 85; Bible and Prayer Book Society \$4 62; Parish Sunday School \$5 68; total \$33 94.

The Church has been open for Service on the Holy Days, and, during a part of the year, lectures were delivered on Wednesday evenings.

The present report extends only to the second Sunday after Easter, at which time the Rectorship was resigned.

THE REV. A. JACKSON

Would respectfully report: That he has been engaged during the last year in the discharge of his duties as a Professor in Trinity College. He has also continued to edit *The Calendar*, the religious newspaper of the Diocese. He has also officiated in neighboring Parishes during most of the Sundays in the year, and is at the present time in temporary charge of St. Luke's Glastenbury. He has during the year baptized three infants, and officiated at one funeral.

*St. Andrew's Church, Simsbury.*

(No REPORT.)

*Trinity Church, Bristol.*

THE REV. HENRY FITCH, RECTOR.

Families 48. Baptisms—infants 3. Communicants—added by removal 5; anew 1; lost by death 2; by removal 1; present number 71. Marriages 3. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 7; scholars 34. Bible Class 17. Missionary and charitable contributions \$50 29.

The present Rector entered upon this charge on the first Sunday after Easter. The official acts reported, with the exception of two burials, were performed by the former Rector, the Rev. S. J. Evans. From the period of the adjournment of the last Convention to the 28th of November, I had no parochial charge, my time being occupied in assisting my brethren, in supplying destitute Parishes, and in the performance of Missionary services under the direction of the Bishop. From the middle of August to the middle of November, I officiated in the Parish of St. James', Westville, for the Rev. Henry Townsend, who, by sickness, was compelled to suspend his labors for that length of time. On the 28th of November, I took charge, as Missionary of the Christian Knowledge Society, of the Parish of Grace Church, Broad Brook, then recently vacated by the resignation of the Rev. F. J. Clerc, which charge continued until Easter. I would report that, while connected with that Parish, I buried one person, and baptized one child. The Communion offerings for the same period amounted to \$9 47.

THE REV. JOHN WILLIAMS, D. D.

Would respectfully report, that during the past year he has been occupied with his usual duties at Trinity College. He has also officiated constantly, with the exception of a few Sundays, in this and other Dioceses: and has baptized two children; attended two funerals; and officiated at a marriage.

*St. Peter's Church, Granby.*

(NO REPORT.)



*St. John's Church, Warehouse Point.*

THE REV. HENRY H. BATES, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults 2; infants 40; total 42. Marriages 12. Burials 18. Communicants—deceased 1; repelled 2; removed 4; added 21; present number 59. Sunday School—teachers 10; scholars 75. This Parish is steadily, though slowly, increasing in numbers and stability. The uniform good attendance on all the services of the Church; the many kind offerings made to sustain the Rector and his family; and the cheerfulness with which contributions are made (though small) to sustain the general interests of the Church, as well as the interests of the Parish itself, are all indications truly encouraging, and demand gratitude to God.

*St. Mary's Church, Manchester.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. Mark's Church, New Britain.*

THE REV. ALEXANDER CAPRON, RECTOR.

Families—added 16; lost by removal 8; present number 61. Single persons holding seats 17. Communicants—added 31; deceased 5; removed 10; present number 82. Baptisms—adults 3; children 8; in all 11. Confirmed 10. Marriages 5. Burials 6. Sunday School—scholars about 60; catechists 12. Collections—offertory \$24 31; churching offering \$1; missions \$12 82; parochial objects \$31; total \$73 71.

By the blessing of God upon us during the past year, the Parish has steadily increased, and has enjoyed uninterrupted prosperity. An effort which, it is believed, will be successful, is now being made to cancel the remaining indebtedness incurred by the erection of the new Church.

It is with pleasure that I improve this opportunity of making my acknowledgment to my Rev. friend and brother, the Rev. J. M. Guion, not only for his services in preaching and administering the Holy Eucharist on each Communion Sunday, with two or three exceptions, during the whole of my Diaconate, but especially for the kind interest he has manifested in my own efforts and the welfare of the Parish.

ren have been baptized, and seven persons confirmed. There were three other candidates providentially prevented from presenting themselves at the time of the Bishop's Visitation. With the view and hope of attracting to this inviting field of labor some clergyman not elsewhere engaged, the present opportunity is taken for stating, in brief, that almost the entire population, with the exception of a portion of the operatives in the factory, profess attachment to the Church. They are the children of those who were baptized into Christ under the ministry of the apostolic Griswold, whose name they revere, and whose counsels they desire to have cherished and perpetuated. They have provided a convenient hall, fitted with pews, Desk, and a musical instrument, for a temporary place of worship; and have procured as a site for a new Church the very spot on which Bishop Griswold was born, and have already pledged a considerable sum for building. Their original design of erecting a plain edifice, whose style and dimensions should accord with their present available means, rather than with their wishes and prospective ability, has been suspended, in consequence of their having been encouraged to believe, by others interested in the matter, that the friends of the venerable Griswold, in the Dioceses of which he was once the head, would esteem it a privilege to contribute to the erection of such an edifice as would suitably commemorate his virtues and perpetuate his name. As there is no one among them who deems himself every way qualified to take this business in hand and make a direct personal application to the Churchmen of New England generally in behalf of this object, every thing is at a stand. With a resident clergyman to counsel, lead, and direct, it is morally certain the Parish would at once start on a successful career. If much longer left without a spiritual head, it is to be feared the same state of indecision and inaction now prevailing will continue, and, in the mean time, the field be entered (as in fact it has very recently been entered) by others alien to the commonwealth of Israel, and thus this heritage be lost to its legitimate heirs.

## Windham County.

### *Christ Church, Pomfret.*

THE REV. ROSWELL PARK, RECTOR.

Families 20. Baptisms—infants 3; adult 1; total 4. Confirmed 0. Communicants—added anew 2; by removal 3; lost by removal 2; present number 40. Marriage 1. Burials 2. Sunday School—scholars 20; teachers 4. Missionary contributions—Foreign \$15; Domestic \$30; besides a missionary box to Indiana, appraised at \$60; Diocesan \$16; Bp. Otey's Seminary \$5; N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society \$5; Bp. White's Prayer Book Society \$2; Parochial charity \$12; Sunday School Library \$5; Parish Library \$3; shingling anew the north side of the Church roof \$46; a carpet and other Church improvements \$50; stone wall, rear of Church lot, \$30, Rectory improvements \$20; silver Communion service \$70; total \$360. In addition to the above, a debt of \$125 on the school-house was paid last summer, by the Ladies' Sewing Society, by means of a festival; leaving the Parish free from all incumbrances. Christ Church Hall is in a flourishing condition, having its full complement of pupils; and an expression of humble gratitude is due to God for the many mercies which he has bestowed on this little Parish.

### *Trinity Church, Brooklyn.*

(No REPORT.)

### *St. Paul's Church, Windham.*

(No REPORT.)

## Middlesex County.

### *Christ Church, Middleton.*

THE REV. F. J. GOODWIN, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 14; adults 7; whole number 21. Confirmed 14. Communicants—added anew 6; by removal 14; lost by removal 6; died 5; present number 171. Marriages 3. Burials 18. Sunday School—teachers 15; scholars about 100. Contributions—Christian Knowledge Society \$35; also, through the same, \$10 to the Church in New Britain; \$10 to the Church in Milford; and \$10 to the Church in New Hartford; Foreign Missions \$25; to the African Mission \$5; Nashotah Mission \$5; for Missions in Maine \$34 25; Domestic Missions \$72; Church in Paducah, Ky., \$10; Church in Milville, Mass., \$30; from the Ladies' Missionary Society \$5 for Ravenscroft College; and \$7 50 to a Candidate for Orders; Communion alms \$163 50; for parochial purposes \$26 68; the Sunday collections, applied toward liquidating the debts of the Parish, \$150; and a Christmas present to the Rector, of \$308; total \$901 43. The Rector is happy to state that the condition of the Parish is highly encouraging.

### *Trinity Church, Portland.*

THE REV. SAMUEL M. EMERY, RECTOR.

Families 102. Baptisms—infants 8; adult 1; total 9. Communicants—added by removal 1; anew 13; died 6; removed 8; present number 95. Marriages 7. Burials 18. Sunday School—teachers 15; scholars 89. Missionary and charitable contributions—to the Rev. Mr. Sill, for missionary service in Middlesex County, \$36; to the Rev. Mr. Birchmore, to aid in building a Church in Blackstone, (Millville,) Mass., \$69 50; to aid in completing the Church in Milford \$90; Domestic Missions \$20; Christian Knowledge Society \$27; Society for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$5; to aid a Church in Indiana \$10; Library of Trinity

College, by two members of the Parish, \$100; to Nashotah \$5; for other charitable and missionary purposes, by a clergyman resident in the Parish, \$140; assessment for deficiency in the Bishop's salary \$15; Convention assessment \$5 25; sundry items of charitable collections \$44; total \$566 75.

THE REV. WILLIAM JARVIS

Respectfully reports to his Bishop, that, during the past year, he has baptized the child of a clerical brother, at his request; and on various occasions performed the visitation office for the sick. Any of the regular or more extended services of the Church, he has been unable to perform, in consequence of the disease of his throat which has so long afflicted him, and which is invariably aggravated by reading audibly, or speaking uninterruptedly, more than ten or twelve minutes at a time.

*Church of the Holy Trinity, Haddam.*

THE REV. S. FARMAR JARVIS, D. D., RECTOR.

I have but little to report to the Bishop this year. Soon after the last Convention, it pleased God to permit the epidemic which laid waste our country to visit me also. I had scarcely recovered when, in performing missionary duty, I received a contusion from my horse, which confined me several months. Services were kept up, however, by lay-reading; and, if we had a Church, would have sufficed for a season. To erect a small Church, at a cost not exceeding \$1500, has been my constant aim; but my duties to the Church as her Historiographer prevented personal application with a Subscription Book, and I have received little but promises. Several families in the town of Haddam would gladly have the Gospel in the Church, but are unable to do more than give land and personal labor. Experience has convinced me that holding service in School-Houses rather injures than benefits the cause of God's truth. These school-houses are open to all sects, and God's holy Church is thereby placed on the same level with them. The blight of sectarianism has destroyed the life of religion. The people have become ignorant of the very first principles of faith. Novelty excites curiosity. A Mormon or a Millerite preacher draws crowds together to hear

what he has to say, while it is only the devout and pious hearts who come to worship God in the way He hath appointed. The first step in planting the Gospel, should be the erection of a Church. Where the Gospel is presented in the simple but sublime solemnities of the Church, there will always be some hearts who will seek to worship "in spirit and in truth"; and it is such, and such only, who add strength to the Christian fabric.

*St. John's Church, Essex.*

THE REV. SYLVESTER NASH, RECTOR.

There has been very little change in the apparent condition of this Parish since the last report. Baptisms 3. Marriages 3. Burials 4. Communicants 63.

*Union Church, North Killingworth.*

(No REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Middle Haddam.*

(No REPORT.)

*Grace Church, Saybrook.*

THE REV. S. J. EVANS, RECTOR.

I assumed the charge of this Parish on the third Sunday after Easter. It has heretofore suffered materially for the want of a resident Clergyman. The Parish, however, is entirely united, and renewed interest appears to have been awakened in regard to its prosperity. This has been exhibited by the liberality of the contributions toward the erection of a Parsonage, the want of which has operated, in a great measure, as an obstacle to the increase and extension of the Parish. To the above mentioned object, the sum of \$1200 has been contributed since the first of May last, by individuals within the Parish mainly. The ladies of "the Fragment Society" deserve unqualified praise for their industry and zeal as auxiliaries to the Parish, having realized the sum of \$110 within the past year. The number of families is 41. Communicants 42. Sunday

School—teachers 10; scholars 61. Bible Class 11. Within the past year, the Rev. Mr. Fisher administered the Sacrament of Baptism twice, and solemnized one marriage, in this Parish.

*St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.*

THE REV. ALPHEUS GEER, RECTOR.

Families 53. Baptisms—infants 4. Communicants—added anew 3; died or removed 6; present number 47. Marriages 7. Burials 10. Sunday School—teachers 6; scholars 35. Collections have been taken monthly generally, through the year, and the avails devoted to Missionary purposes, and to objects within the Parish.

**New London County.**

*St. James' Church, New London.*

THE REV. R. A. HALLAM, RECTOR.

Families 77. Baptisms—children 5. Communicants—added anew 1; by removal 15; lost by death 1; by removal 9; present number 138. Marriages 5. Burials 10. Missionary and Charitable contributions—General Missionary Society \$153; Infirm Clergy Fund \$20; Church Scholarship Society \$20; Stonington \$30; Milford \$20; other objects \$12;—total \$255. Our contribution to the Christian Knowledge Society is included in the collections at Convention.

About the middle of last autumn the old Church was sold, and we have since been dependant on courtesy for the privilege of continuing our customary worship. The usual service of the Church has been celebrated on all Sundays, but Whit-Sunday, and on all the Holy Days, but Thanksgiving day. For the want of a fit time and place to hold it, the Sunday School since the sale of the Church has been discontinued.

The work of building a new Church, has proved, unexpectedly, burdensome and protracted, but the work has been prosecuted with a commendable zeal, liberality and patience, and is at last brought

to a happy completion. The edifice in which the Convention are now assembled and which was consecrated to the worship of God in their presence, is the result of the undertaking. May He to whose honor it has been erected accept the work of our hands and crown it with His presence and blessing.

*Christ Church, Norwich.*

THE REV. WILLIAM F. MORGAN, RECTOR.

Families 203. Baptisms 23. Confirmed 17. Communicants—added by removal 25; anew 10; lost by death 5. Marriages 9. Burials 18. Sunday School—teachers 20; scholars 120. Missionary and charitable contributions \$520.

The above parochial report is necessarily defective in consequence of recent changes in the Parish. The organization of a new Church at Easter, by which a few families were withdrawn, and the removal abroad of several highly esteemed members, together with the accession of others, renders it difficult, at the moment, to exhibit with accuracy, the numerical strength of this Parish. Happily for Christ Church, amid all changes, there is no visible decrease, either of worshippers, or substantial members, and this is especially a matter of congratulation, as the new Parish appears to be well sustained. During six months of the past year the Rev. E. O. Flagg was associated with the Rector, as an assistant. This engagement expired at Easter. Severe and protracted illness detained the Rector from his pulpit and pastoral duties during a period of three months.

*Trinity Church, Norwich.*

THE REV. EDWARD O. FLAGG, RECTOR.

Families about 75. Baptisms—adults 4. Communicants about 50. Confirmed 9. Burials 3. Sunday School—teachers 14; scholars between 60 and 70. Collections—Missionary \$31. Subscription for the Sunday School, Chancel repairs, &c. \$251 50.

It is but recently that we have had a distinct Parish organization; Divine providence seems thus far to have favored us.



*Calvary Church, Stonington.*

THE REV. J. M. WILLEY, RECTOR.

Families 43. Baptisms—infants 4 ; adults 2—total 6. Communicants—added by removal 4 ; anew 5 ; lost by removal 2 ; died 1 ;—present number 25. Marriages 42. Burials 7. Sunday School—teachers 8 ; scholars 48.

*Christ Church, Salem.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. James' Church, Poquetamock.*

THE REV. HENRY FLOY ROBERTS, RECTOR.

Families 56. Communicants 60. Baptisms—infants 5. Marriages 4. Burials 3. Collections—Missions \$21 25 ; for aged and infirm Clergy Fund \$4 15 ; Bishop's Salary \$1 45 ; Convention Fund \$2 07—total \$18 92.

The Ladies of the Parish have exhibited commendable zeal during the year, and have contributed, as the result of their labors, \$175 towards liquidating the debt on the Rectory.

*All Saints', St. Thomas, West Indies.*

THE REV. JOHN J. BRANDIGEE, RECTOR,

Reports to his Diocesan his official acts for the past year as follows :—Baptisms—infants 69 ; adults 2—total 71. Marriages 17. Burials 57. Confirmed 112. Sunday School—teachers 30 ; scholars 150.

The foregoing statistics will show that this distant outpost of Zion continues in a healthy, and prosperous state, amply repaying the labors of the past, and furnishing the highest hopes for the future. The Church Edifice has been finished and paid for. The congregation steadily enlarges ; the number of Communicants increases with every celebration ; and the influence of the Church is being felt to an extent we had hardly dared to anticipate. For all these tokens of the Divine blessing we are devoutly thankful to the great

Shepherd of the sheep, by whose wonderful Providence the wandering and the lost have been sought out, gathered together, and established in "the faith once delivered to the Saints." The trials and difficulties which are incident to a fresh Missionary work have not yet entirely passed away; still in the contemplation of actual results we can do no less, than, with the Apostle, to thank God and take courage.

## New Haven County.

### *Trinity Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. HARRY CROSWELL, D. D., RECTOR.

THE REV. THOMAS CLAPP PITKIN, ASSOCIATE RECTOR.

Families about 400. Communicants about 490. Baptisms—adults 8; children 55—total 63. Marriages 27. Burials (of whom 18 were communicants) 60; added to the communion 38. Sunday School—teachers 30; catechumens 253—total 283. Contributions for Missionary and other charitable objects, including offerings and offertory, \$1634 37.

In consequence of the frequent changes in the Congregations in the city, and of accessions from abroad, it is difficult to state with perfect accuracy, the number of families and communicants, but as all the pews in the Church are taken and occupied, as for several years past, there can be but little increase except in the number of communicants.

### *St. Paul's Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. S. COOKE, RECTOR.

Families 300. Baptisms—adults 8; infants 27—total 35 Confirmed 36. Communicants—admitted anew 45; added by removal 15; removed 25; died 9; present number 376. Marriages 17. Burials 28. Sunday School scholars 221.

The following appropriations have been made within the diocesan year: Domestic Missions \$400; Foreign Missions \$312; Christian Knowledge Society \$125; aid to Churches within the Diocese \$324; Church Scholarship Society \$50; aged and infirm Clergy

\$50 ; Parish Sunday School \$70 ; Library for Sunday School Teachers \$170 ; Prayer Books for Sailors \$30 ; Tracts for Sailors \$20 ; Grace Church, Paducah, Kentucky \$10 ; Hague St. sufferers, New York, \$20 ; Seabury Monument Fund \$40 ; Rev Mr. Henning for Africa \$20 ; Sunday School offerings \$30 ; for an individual \$11 ; St. Thomas' Church, New Haven \$5 ; Communion offerings \$239 11 ; total \$1926 11.

Several thousand dollars have also been contributed for Parish purposes.

*St. Thomas' Church, New Haven.*

THE REV. E. E. BEARDSLEY, RECTOR.

Families 80. Baptisms—adults 9 ; children 15—total 24. Confirmed 24, (two visitations.) Communicants—admitted 21 ; added by removal 26 ; died 1 ; removed 14 ; present number 91. Marriages 6—one extra-parochial. Burials 22. Sunday School, including Teachers and Bible class, 102.

The above statistics indicate growth. The temporary Chapel referred to in the last Parochial Report was first occupied by the Congregation, Sunday, August 12th, 1849. Since that time, in addition to the usual Church furniture, gas fixtures, and furnace, the Parish has purchased a fine toned Organ, and thus completed the conveniencies of Public Worship. A silver Service for the Holy Communion, consisting of five pieces, has been generously presented by Trinity Church.

The system of Monthly Offerings is pursued ; but in our present condition these offerings are applied to Parochial purposes, except such as are needed to meet the requirements of the Diocesan Canons. Amount of Monthly Offerings from 1st Sunday in September last \$208 62. Communion Alms \$60 11.

*St. Luke's Church, New Haven.*

(NO REPORT.)

*St. James' Church, Fair Haven.*

THE REV. WILLIAM E. VIBBERT, RECTOR.

Families 72. Baptisms—infants and children 12 ; adults 4 ; total 16. Confirmed 14 ; Communicants—added by removal 8 ;

anew 14; lost by removal 9; by death 1; present number 70. Marriages 4. Burials 8. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars about 50. Contributions—for objects within the Parish \$66 45; Foreign and Domestic Missions \$50 59; Society for Promotion of Christian Knowledge \$20; aged and infirm Clergymen \$7 17; Convention Fund \$4 50; total \$148 71.

No material change has taken place in the condition of this Parish since my last report. A good degree of harmony prevails among its members, and the attendance upon the stated Services of the Church is large and encouraging. The Parish, it is believed, is steadily advancing in prosperity. Having been disappointed in their expectations with regard to the Organ purchased some five years since, the members of the Parish, with commendable zeal, have recently substituted in its place, an entirely new one, (with the exception of the case,) which latter instrument proves to be of fine tone, and great power.

In addition to the above reported services, I have likewise officiated at a funeral in the Parish of Christ Church, East Haven—that Parish being at the time without a Minister.

#### THE REV. STEPHEN JEWETT

Reports to his Bishop: That during the past ecclesiastical year he has continued, as heretofore, to assist the Rev. Mr. Cooke, of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, on the first Sunday in each month, in the administration of the Holy Communion. On the last Sunday of the month, I have rendered the same assistance to the Rev. Mr. Beardsley, of St. Thomas' Church, New Haven.

During the illness of the Rev. Mr. Townsend, last summer, I buried one person, a member of his Parish, at Westville.

All the duties imposed on me as a Trustee have been performed.

*St. James' Church, Westville.*

#### THE REV. HENRY TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Families 42. Baptisms—children 8. Communicants—added by removal 3; lost by death 2; present number 41. Burials 9. Sunday School—teachers 7; scholars 35. Monthly Offerings, and Communion Alms \$68 15; appropriated as follows: to Domestic Missions \$15; County assessment to C. K. Society (for Broad

Brook) \$5; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund \$4; annual contribution to C. K. Society \$5; Convention Fund \$2 50; assessment for Bishop's Salary \$2 50; and the balance to the charities and necessities of the Parish.

It having pleased Divine Providence to visit the Rector, last Summer and Autumn, with a severe illness nearly three months, his place was supplied by the services of the Rev. Henry Fitch, who officiated at four of the burials, above reported—three others were attended by the kindness of the Rev. Brethren of the vicinity. On occasion of an exchange (Sunday, July 15th, 1849,) I baptized three children in St. James' Church, Fair Haven, and, in the spring of 1850, while Christ Church, East Haven, was without a minister, I officiated at two burials in that Parish.

### *Christ Church, East Haven.*

THE REV. N. S. RICHARDSON, LATE MINISTER,

Respectfully reports: That since the last Convention he has officiated at 3 burials in Christ Parish, East Haven. He also performed Divine Service and preached on every other Sunday, in the same Parish, until Christmas day; since which time, with the approbation of his Bishop, his whole attention has been engrossed with other duties; with what results eternity alone will disclose.

### *Christ Church, West Haven.*

THE REV. A. B. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

f Families, reported in 1849, 53; lost by removal 6; added by removal 4; present number 51. Baptisms—children 5. Confirmed 8. Communicants—reported in 1849, 69; lost by removal 7; added by removal 1; anew 7; present number 70, (five other communicants belonging to this Parish usually attended Divine Service elsewhere, it being much more convenient.) Marriages 3. Burials 1. Sunday School—teachers 7; scholars 50. Offerings \$32 84.

The pestilence which wasted the land during the past year, commenced in this village with much virulence, but after a short period became comparatively mild in its effects. At its first

breaking out in a small neighborhood, of six families, consisting of twenty four persons, twelve of them were taken sick, and six persons, or one fourth part of the population, died in a few days. The consternation caused by this mortality, and the spread of the disease, imposed great labor upon the Rector, both among his parishioners and others, which, together with incessant watching, by day and by night over the sick in his own family, resulted in a protracted and unmanageable fever, from which his recovery was long considered doubtful ; but from which God, in His mercy saw fit to raise him up. Yet though very many were sick, only a single individual belonging to the Parish died. The Sunday School was nearly broken up from the beginning of September, and the congregation much diminished until far into the winter. Public Service, however, was never interrupted ; and for more than two months prayers were offered in Church by members of the Parish for and in behalf of the Rector and his family. The present attendance upon public worship is about the same as last year at this time, though the average attendance since Septuagesima Sunday has been something larger than a year ago. The Sunday School is also about the same as a year ago. The pecuniary ability of the Parish, though small, is gradually increasing and the interest deepening. More money has been raised this year than ever before for the Rector's salary, which has yet never exceeded three hundred and fifty dollars, including all monies received therefor, from every source. The spiritual interests of the Parish, so far as man can judge, were never more encouraging, than at present. More persons have been confirmed than ever before in any one year, since the resuscitation of the Parish ten years ago ; more have been added to the communion anew than ever before in a single year, and more persons were present at communion on Whitsunday than ever before knelt together at that altar on any occasion. We have great cause of thankfulness for these signs of prosperity, as well as for the peace and harmony that prevails throughout our borders, and abundant encouragement to persevere in our exertions that *to the poor the gospel shall be preached.*

*Union Church, Humphreysville.*

THE REV. W. F. WALKER, RECTOR.

Families—added 7 ; removed from the Parish 1 ; present

number 110. Catechumens 65. Baptisms—adults 6; children 23; total 29. Confirmed 20. Marriages 5. Burials 10. Communicants—added anew 25; by removal 2; lost by removal 3; by death 3; present number 155.

The Parish is steadily advancing; the people are gradually assimilating with the Prayer Book in churchmanship; and having become well compacted in “the faith once delivered to the saints,” form a body of much strength. These blessings are owing in no inconsiderable degree, it is believed, to their freedom from the influence of religious newspapers, but two copies of any name being taken by them.

The Church has been open; Divine Services performed; and Offices administered, as during last year, (see Journal for the year, p. 57.) The aggregate of Services by the Rector within the year is 227.

### *Grace Church, Hamden.*

THE REV. C. W. EVEREST, RECTOR.

Families 55. Baptisms—infants 3; adult 1; total 4. Communicants—lost by death 2; present number 83. Marriages 5. Burials 5. Sunday School—teachers 6; scholars 30. Bible Class 12. Communion Offerings \$35 30. Collections for Missions \$51 33.

The Rector is happy to report a favourable state of zeal throughout his little Parish. During the past year his parishioners, with commendable effort, aided by a generous contribution from one of his flock, have paid a debt of more than \$1000, a part of which has for many years oppressed them. The Parish is now entirely free from debt, and is heartily purposed to remain so.

### *St. George's Church, Milford.*

THE REV. JAMES DIXON CARDER, RECTOR.

Families (about) 40. Baptisms—children 7. Communicants—added anew 4; by removal 3; lost by death 2; by removal 1; present number 66. Marriages 2. Burials 5. Sunday School—teachers 7; scholars 40. Collections made in time of Divine service—for the Christian Knowledge Society \$5; for the Church

Donations for the Clergy Fund \$2; for the Convention Fund (commemorative) \$2 53; for the New York Bible and Tract Society (Church) \$11; for Domestic Missions \$10; for Foreign Missions (Canton) \$10; for the children of the Parish \$25; Communion Fund under management \$13. Estimated for the following year, \$11 24, and \$7 12.

Many Lay Services have been suspended, owing to the incertainty of occupying the new hall, the temporary place of worship, except on Sundays.

The new Church is being well completed during the present year.

### *St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.*

#### THE REV. GEORGE E. DUNHAM, RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 3; adults 5; total 8. Communion 117. Confirmations 12. Burials 3. Marriage 1.

Since the last Convention the new Church has been completed at a cost of about \$15,000 and was consecrated in February.

The progress of the Parish is present, are highly encouraging.

A smaller number of Communicants than usual is reported, owing to the fact that Communion has been a strict revision of the list. A class of persons recently confirmed are preparing for their first communion and will probably receive it on the 1st Sunday in July.

### *St. Michael's Church, Springfield.*

#### THE REV. JOSEPH SCOTT, RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 3; adults 1; total 4. Confirmed 6. Communicants—added by removal 5; new 3; lost by removal 2; by death 1; present number 115. Marriages 3. Burials 7. Sunday School—teachers 12; scholars 80. Missionary and Charitable Contributions \$17 45. The Parish have raised \$100 or more to pay the balance of a debt due for their Organ. This report embraces the time from the first of September last. The Parish is united and prosperous, and its prospects encouraging.



*Christ Church, Bethany.*

THE REV. HENRY ZELL, RECTOR.

Families 100. Baptisms—infants 11; adults 4; total 15. Communicants—added by removal 2; anew 4; lost by removal 3; by death 2; present number 135. Marriages 3. Burials 19. Sunday School—teachers 18; scholars 115. Contributions—for repairing the Church \$35; Sunday School and Parish Library Books \$20; purchasing Base Viol \$18.

A third service has been held, nearly every Sunday through the year, in school houses in different parts of the Parish. The congregation has increased in numbers, and the Rector indulges the hope that there has been a corresponding improvement in spiritual things, in zeal, and devotion to God's service.

*Christ Church, Derby.*

THE REV. C. S. PUTNAM, RECTOR,

Reports: That a considerable number of families have, during the past year, attached themselves to a new Parish organized in the village of Ansonia, leaving the present number of families connected with this Parish 47. Baptisms—infants 14; adult 1; total 15. Communicants—lost by death 1; by removal 38; added anew 14; by removal 6; present number 55. Marriages 3. Burials 8. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 40.

*St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.*

THE REV. JOSEPH BREWSTER, RECTOR,

Reports: That having resigned the charge of St. Paul's Parish, Windham, and accepted the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Wallingford, he entered upon his duties at Easter, and has buried in this Parish two adults and one infant; and solemnized one marriage; and baptized one infant.

*St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.*

THE REV. H. BRYANT, LATE RECTOR,

Reports: That previous to his resignation of the above Parish,

which took place at Easter last, he administered the Sacrament of Baptism twice ; solemnized two marriages ; and attended five funerals. Since Easter he has been occupied as Associate Instructor in the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire.

*Christ Church, Guilford.*

THE REV. LORENZO T. BENNETT, RECTOR.

Families 66. Baptisms—adults 3 ; infants 9 ; total 12. Confirmed 14. Communicants—added 11 ; present number 106. Marriages 4. Burials 6. Monthly offerings, for purposes extra-parochial, exclusive of a collection for the Infirm Clergy Fund, \$57 18.

As regards all interests pertaining to this Parish, the Rector is enabled to report a gradual yet uninterrupted improvement. During the past year, the Pews of the Church, which heretofore have been owned as private property, have, with few exceptions, been generously relinquished to the Parish : and, as far as can be inferred from a regular and apparently devout and interested attendance on the public services of the Sanctuary, and at the Table of the Lord, in spiritual things as in temporal, there is encouraging progress.

*St. John's Church, Waterbury.*

THE REV. J. L. CLARK, RECTOR.

THE REV. G. W. HORNE, ASSISTANT.

Families 255. Baptisms—infants 36 ; adults 5 ; whole number 41. Confirmed 33. Communicants—added by removal 17 ; anew 37 ; lost by removal 16 ; by death 9 ; present number 396. Marriages 12. Burials 35. Sunday School—teachers 62 ; scholars 300. A weekly offering by the children of the Sunday School is made for the Mission about to be established by the Rev. J. L. Breck, in Minesota. The following disbursements of money, raised for objects without the Parish, have been made : to the Domestic department of our Missionary Society, including several special appropriations made to aid in building Churches and to establish Schools within the sphere of the Society's operations, \$621 ; to the Foreign department \$262 ; to the Christian Knowledge Society

\$130 50 ; to aid Churches within our own Diocese \$91 50 ; to the Church Scholarship Society \$142 ; for the benefit of Aged and Infirm Clergymen \$27 11 ; to the Bishop White Prayer Book Society \$30 ; to the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society \$50 ; in the Treasury \$29 ; total \$1373 11.

In addition to the usual appropriations within the Parish, about \$2000 has been subscribed for the erection of a Chapel in a manufacturing village two miles and a half from the Church, where it is our purpose to hold a third Service every Sunday. A Sunday School is already established there, and between forty and fifty scholars and a suitable number of teachers, assemble every Sunday at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The Chapel will soon be commenced, and, it is hoped, will be completed and consecrated early in the Autumn.

We are indebted, under God, to the patient, persevering efforts of the ladies of the Parish, for much that has been already accomplished in this new enterprise, as well as for \$156 included in the above report. We would acknowledge with devout gratitude, evidence that the Holy Spirit has been with us with power, and arrested the attention of some, and directed them, as we trust, to Christ. But we have, also, to lament that the many resist and grieve that Spirit still.

### *St. Peter's Church, Cheshire.*

THE REV. JOSEPH H. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

Families 60. Baptisms—infants 4 ; adult 1 ; whole number 5. Communicants—added anew 4 ; by removal 2 ; lost by removal 3 ; by death 1 ; present number 80. Confirmed 4. Marriages 2. Burials 8. Monthly offerings \$66 15 ; contribution of the "Nashotah Society" \$40. Sunday School—teachers 7 ; scholars about 40.

It is with gratitude to God that I am able to announce that this Parish, after having been in a somewhat languishing state, is now decidedly flourishing. Almost every pew in the Church is taken, and the usual attendance on the Lord's Day is now one third larger than it was during the first year of my rectorship. Our prospects are truly cheering, so far as relates to temporal matters. While we are growing in numbers, may we also "grow in grace."

*Trinity Church, Branford.*

THE REV. WILLIAM HENRY REES, RECTOR.

The Rector of this Parish assumed its charge very soon after last Easter; and he cannot permit himself to present his first report to the Bishop, without bearing his humble testimony to the fidelity, zeal, and efficiency of his much respected and lamented predecessor, the Rev. Frederick Miller, who was removed by the hand of death, in October last. The fruit of his ministry appears everywhere in the concerns of the Parish. He, indeed, rests from his labors, but his works follow him.

The present Rector found a very united people, and has, thus far, had much to encourage him. The state of the Parish is prosperous; and the greatest hindrance to the future growth and prosperity of the Church in this place is, in the estimation of many, the want of suitable accommodations for public worship. This evil his predecessor greatly deplored, and stated in his last report. He is happy, however, to add that efforts are being made to erect a new Church edifice; that over \$3000 have already been pledged to that object; and he hopes to be enabled to report at the next Annual Convention that so desirable a work has been accomplished.

The statistics here reported cover the whole time of the past conventional year. Families 87. Baptisms—infants 8. Communicants—added anew 8; by removal 2; lost by death 1; by removal 5; present number 105. Burials 8. Confirmed 15. Sunday School—teachers 16; scholars 70. Contributions for Missionary and other purposes \$78.

*All Saints' Church, Wolcott.*

THE REV. COLLIS I. POTTER, (DEACON,) MINISTER.

Families 40. Baptisms—infants 4; adult 1; total 5. Communicants—added by removal 1; lost by removal 1; by death 3; present number 50. Marriage 1. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 3; scholars 25. Missionary and charitable contributions \$8 64.

The official acts mentioned in this report were performed by the late Rector, the Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson, with the exception of the burials, two of which were attended by the Rev. J. L. Clark, and the others by myself. I took charge of this Parish on Easter Sun-

day, and am engaged in it the whole time. The state of this Parish, both in spiritual and temporal matters, is, as far as I can judge, full as encouraging as it has been during the last few years. The condition of the town is such that much increase to the Church cannot be expected. Most of the young people of both sexes remove to other places as soon as they are old enough to act for themselves, and in this way the population of the town has very much diminished during the last ten years. But, notwithstanding all this, it is important that the Church should be sustained here. The Church edifice is now undergoing some repairs and alterations, which, when completed, will add much to the convenience and appearance of the interior. A new Vestry room and recess has been built, back of the chancel, together with a new chancel, pulpit, and altar, and the whole interior is to be painted and the floor carpeted. In these alterations the Ladies of the Parish have been the first to act, and have raised about \$75 to defray the expense. Individuals of St. John's Church, Waterbury, have contributed \$25 to the same object, and it is hoped more will be raised from the same source.

*St. Andrew's Church, Northford.*

THE REV. N. L. GARFIELD, MINISTER.

My connection with this Parish was formed shortly after the Convention of 1849. Families 38. Baptism 1. Communicants 47. Marriages 2. Burial 1. Sunday School—scholars 30. Since the last report, 127 volumes have been added to the Sunday School Library. Collections for Missionary and charitable purposes have amounted to \$38 50. Previous to my admission to the Priesthood, the Holy Communion was administered once a month by my father, the Rev. J. M. Garfield, D. D.

*St. James' Church, Birmingham.*

THE REV. THOMAS T. GUION, RECTOR.

Families 111. Baptisms—infants 20; adults 5; total 25. Confirmed 12. Communicants—removed and died 11; added 25; present number 158. Marriages 2. Burials 5. Alms and offerings \$610 59. We have much cause to thank God, and take courage.

*St. John's Church, North Guilford.*

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR.

Families 40. Communicants 43. Baptisms—infants 3. Marriages 2. Burials 4. Sunday Scholars 25; with a suitable number of teachers. Since the last Convention, I have officiated in St. John's Church thirty-two Sundays, also on Thanksgiving day, Christmas, and Ash-Wednesday. I have also given the Holy Communion four times in Union Church, Killingworth; have attended three funerals in Branford, and officiated there one Sunday.

The Rev. Mr. Sill, a gentleman in Deacon's orders, has officiated since Easter last, in St. John's Church, in the absence of the Rector. The vote of the Parish at the annual meeting was, that the Rector and the Rev. Mr. Sill, the assistant Minister, supply the desk and pulpit through the year. In this effort to sustain ministerial services the whole time, the Parish will need some aid from the Christian Knowledge Society, which I hope will be granted. The congregation have placed an Organ in their Church. This instrument was played, for the first time, on Whit-Sunday, by one of their number, to the gratification of the parishioners. The aisles of this Church have been neatly carpeted by the youth and ladies of the Parish. United and zealous as the congregation now appear to be, we bid them God speed. The charitable offerings of this Church have been as usual, \$3 for Domestic Missions; \$4 for the Christian Knowledge Society; for Convention Fund and Bishop's Salary \$5 11; in all \$12 11. There has, also, been other collections.

All the Holy Days of our Church are observed in this Parish.

*Zion Church, North Branford.*

THE REV. DAVID BALDWIN, RECTOR.

I have officiated in this Church fifteen Sundays, baptized one infant, married one couple, buried one, and administered the Lord's Supper six times.

*St. Peter's Church, Oxford.*

(No REPORT.)

*Trinity Church, Ansonia.*

THE REV. HENRY OLMSTEAD, JR., RECTOR.

I entered upon my present field of labor on the first Sunday after Easter last. The Parish of Trinity Church was organized on Nov. 27th, 1849, being the first religious organization in the village. Families about 50. Communicants 40. A temporary Chapel is in process of erection, and will be ready in a few weeks for the celebration of Divine Service. In the mean time Services are held every Lord's Day in a hall.

The village of Ansonia contains over a thousand inhabitants, having more than doubled its population in a year and a half. Thus the duty of establishing the Church among the busy hundreds of this manufacturing place seems plain; but, though a duty, it is, for the present, a work requiring, on the part of a few, great liberality and denial of self. But the position must be occupied, and we must go on in faith, trusting that, in God's Providence, the liberality of the Church and the rapid increase of population, will be blessed to the establishment of His Kingdom in our midst.

*Church of the Resurrection, Southbury.*

(NO REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.*

(NO REPORT.)

*Trinity Church, Woodbridge.*

(NO REPORT.)

*Episcopal Academy of Connecticut, Cheshire.*

THE REV. S. B. PADDOCK, A. M., PRINCIPAL.

THE REV. HILLIARD BRYANT, A. M., ASSOCIATE INSTRUCTOR.

MR. CHARLES A. LINDSLEY, ASSISTANT.

The number of students connected with this institution the past year has been sixty-six. Of this number, three have entered col-

lege, twenty-nine have been engaged in the study of the classics, fifteen in the higher English branches, and the remainder in the lower. The Principal has had the constant services of one, and, most of the time, of two assistants. Religious services for the special benefit of the students, have been continued on Sunday evenings, and every private opportunity improved to implant in their minds, and impress on their hearts, the saving truths of the Gospel.

Having experienced the disadvantages of a frequent change of Assistants—an evil necessarily resulting from employing young gentlemen, who are looking forward to other professions—and finding it prejudicial to the interests of the institution, and bringing a heavy burden upon himself, the Principal, by the advice of the Bishop and such of the Trustees as could be conveniently consulted, engaged the Rev. Hilliard Bryant as his permanent Assistant. Mr. Bryant entered upon his duties in April, with all that zeal and fidelity which have characterised his whole clerical life. The Church will not be disappointed in confidently looking to him to fashion aright the hearts and minds of her young members.

### *St. John's Church, North Haven.*

THE REV. S. B. PADDOCK, MINISTER.

This Parish having suffered much by deaths and removals, and being unable to secure the services of a resident Pastor, has been supplied by me the past year, as far as my other duties would permit. I have preached for them every alternate Sunday, administered the Holy Communion frequently, Catechised and Lectured the children of the Sunday School, baptized two infants, buried two, collected six dollars at the monthly offerings, but could perform little or no pastoral duty. Though feeble, the Parish would be comparatively strong, were all its ability brought into action. I have the names of some sixty persons, most of whom are heads of families, who call themselves Churchmen. Could they have the entire services of a faithful and active clergyman, it is believed that, with the blessing of God upon his labors, the Parish would soon rank with our ordinary country Parishes.



## Fairfield County.

### *St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.*

THE REV. WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., RECTOR.

Families about 100. Baptisms—infants 18. Marriages 7. Burials 22. Sunday School—pupils 130; teachers 35. Communicants—died and removed 8; added 14; present number 208. Monthly offerings and aid to other Parishes \$324 17. Since the last Convention, a substantial and commodious Parsonage has been built, at a cost of about \$3300; \$2200 of which was from private contributions and the sale of the materials of the old buildings, and the remainder from an appropriation by the Parish.

THE REV. JAMES D. MEAD

Reports, that his health has not improved during the past year, sufficiently to warrant his resuming the public duties of the Ministry.

### *St. John's Church, Bridgeport.*

THE REV. GURDON S. COIT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 32; adults 10; total 42. Burials 47. Marriages 8. Confirmed 27. Sunday scholars and teachers 212. Missionary and Charitable Collections \$522 36. The number of families and communicants have increased since the last report. The prospects of the Parish are encouraging. A great necessity is felt for more Church room; and measures may soon be taken for the formation of a new Parish.

### *Trinity Church, Fairfield.*

THE REV. N. E. CORNWALL, RECTOR.

Families 106. Baptisms—adults 3; infants 14; total 17. Con-

firmed 13. Communicants—added anew 4; by removal 5; lost by death 5; by removal 2; present number 201. Marriages 4. Burials 18. Bible Class about 20. Sunday scholars 100. Missionary and charitable contributions, including alms and offerings at Communion, about \$350.

According the rule adopted by the Rector in making up the Parochial register, the number of families is slightly diminished from that reported last year. There are, however, within the limits of the Parish, several families of Episcopalians, not included in this register, nor in my parochial reports. And the number of such families would, doubtless, be rapidly increased, if this Parish presented ample accommodations for public worship. Among the number of persons buried during the last year, eight were not strictly under the pastoral care of the Rector.

*Christ Church, Greenwich, and Emmanuel Chapel, Glenville.*

THE REV. B. M. YARRINGTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants 9; adults 2; total 11. Confirmed 5. Communicants—added 6; removed 2. Marriages 2. Burials 13. Missionary contributions \$68 69. Since the last report, this Church has obtained a very fine toned Organ, built by Mr. Erben.

*Christ Church, Stratford.*

THE REV. JOHN A. PADDOCK, RECTOR.

Families about 100. Baptisms—infants 13; adult 1; total 14. Confirmed 20. Communicants—died 6; added anew 14; present number 120. Marriages 4. Burials 6. Sunday School—teachers 14; scholars 75. Missionary and charitable contributions—Domestic Missions \$33 21; Foreign Missions \$28 53; Bible and Prayer Book Society \$9 20; Distribution of Tracts \$12 42; Church Scholarship Society \$11 40; Christian Knowledge Society \$13 46; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund \$19; Sunday School books \$18 40; Sunday School offerings for Missions \$6; Church at Nichols' Farms \$18 70; Church at New Hartford \$22; Church at Milford \$50; Alms at Communion \$34 81; total \$277 13. It may also be men-

tioned that, by the will of the late Capt. S. C. Nicoll, \$300 have been left to the Parish, to be appropriated as the communicants shall determine.

The present Rector took charge of this Parish on the last Sunday of October, 1849. A commendable zeal has been manifested by the parishioners in all matters relating to the interests of the Church. A band of faithful teachers have aided in the instruction of the young. For the last few months, the Rector has met on each Friday evening, a class of from twenty-five to thirty, for instruction in Scriptural truth. It is believed that this ancient Parish is gradually advancing in temporal and spiritual prosperity.

*St. Thomas' Church, Bethel.*

THE REV. JOHN PURVES, RECTOR.

Families 57. Baptisms—infants 6. Communicants—removed 2; added 3; present number 78. Marriages 4. Burials 8.

*St. John's Church, Stamford.*

THE REV. AMBROSE S. TODD, D. D., RECTOR.

Families 109. Baptisms—infants 9; adults 2; total 11. Marriage 1. Burials 12. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 56. Communicants—added anew 16; by removal 3; lost by death 3; present number 173. Missionary and charitable contributions \$312 34. Contributed to the Rev. Mr. Betts, for building Church at New Hartford, \$56; total \$378.

*St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.*

THE REV. H. D. NOBLE, RECTOR.

Families 80. Baptisms—children 6; adult 1; total 7. Communicants—added anew 4; by removal 4; lost by death 1; by removal 1; present number 108. Marriages 6. Burials 9. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 50. Bible Class, during the season, 20. Contributions—for parochial objects, other than the

current expenses of the Parish, \$125; Missionary and charitable \$45; Communion Alms \$21; total \$191.

*St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.*

THE REV. A. OGDEN, RECTOR.

Families 40. Baptisms--children 12; adults 2; total 14. Communicants--added by removal 1; anew 6; lost by removal 3; by death 1; present number 55. Confirmed 11. Marriages 2. Burials 10. Sunday School children 35. Contributions for objects without the Parish \$16 50. This Parish needs a better Church edifice; but hitherto their efforts to obtain the means have proved ineffectual. Toward building up the Spiritual House, I have accomplished something, I think, by catechising children privately, at their homes. I have found no better means of gaining the poorer families to the Church.

*St. Peter's Church, Monroe.*

THE REV. J. W. HOFFMAN, RECTOR.

Families 66. Baptisms--adults 2; infants 10; total 12. Communicants last reported 90. Marriage 1. Burials 3. Sunday School--teachers 5; scholars 30.

The present Rector took charge of this Parish at Easter last, and can, therefore, give but little information as to its condition, beyond that which is ascertained from the mere transcript of the Record above. The services on Sundays are generally well attended. The Church is opened on Holy Days, and at other times during the week, and it is hoped that these opportunities will be more improved. Measures are in progress for the purchase of an Organ for the Church. The ladies, with commendable zeal, have already begun to raise funds, from the earnings of the needle, for this important object.

For ten months previous to taking charge of this Parish, I was the Rector of Christ Church, Trumbull. My official acts during that time will be reported by the present Rector of that Parish.

*St. James' Church, Danbury.*

THE REV. WM. WHITE BRONSON, RECTOR.

Families about 60. Baptisms—adults 2; infants 6; total 8. Communicants—departed this life 2; removed 3; suspended 1; apostatized 2; added by removal 3; anew 3; present number 75. Marriages 2. Burials—adults 2; infants 3; total 5. Alms and offerings \$147 77.

The Ladies' Sewing Society continues its valuable labors. During the past year, the ladies have collected, through this agency, the sum of \$60, not included in the above report of alms and offerings. Of this, \$50 is appropriated to the salary of the Rector.

The Parish has received from a friend, whose name may not be mentioned, three pieces of silver for the Altar, viz: a Paten, Chalice, and Spoon; the latter having "the handle in the cross form." To these the Parish has added a Cruet, leaving one vessel alone to be provided for the completion of the Service. And this, the Alms Dish, we trust will soon be added. These vessels are all of sterling silver, and wrought after the most approved models. Each piece has engraved upon it an appropriate inscription, in Latin. The knob of the Chalice is enriched by a large and valuable jewel. The manufacturers are the Messrs. Wilson & Co., of Philadelphia. In the purchase of the Cruet, the Parish has received valuable assistance from sundry individuals, and also from the Parish of St. James', Birmingham.

At a recent meeting of the Wardens and Vestry, the Church edifice was insured for five years.

*St. Paul's Church, Huntington.*

THE REV. CHARLES J. TODD, LATE MINISTER.

Families 57. Baptisms—infants 2. Communicants 65. Marriages 4. Burials 8. Contributions for charitable purposes \$15; for Domestic Missions \$6½; total \$21. I removed from Huntington on the 8th of May, and took charge of St. Peter's Church, Oxford, and Christ Church, Quakers' Farms.

*Grace Church, (Long Hill,) Trumbull.*

THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, RECTOR.

This Parish, for the present year, has fallen back upon half services. Families about 50. Baptisms—infants 2; adults 6; in all 8. Confirmed 13. Communicants about 50. Marriages 5. Offerings, for purposes without the Parish, \$15 75.

*Church, Easton.*

THE REV. H. V. GARDNER, RECTOR.

This Parish has had occasional services during the past year. With stated services, a congregation of from a hundred to a hundred and fifty persons might easily be collected; and, with the Missionary aid which it ought to receive, services could be sustained one half of the time.

*Christ Church, Westport.*

THE REV. WILLIAM H. FRISBIE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults 8; infants 18; total 26. Confirmations 17. Communicants—added by removal 11; anew 10; lost by removal 7; by death 1; present number 110. Marriages 2. Burials 9. Offerings for objects without the Parish—for Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, at two collections, (the first, \$6 09, being for the preceding year,) \$16 77; for Grace Church, Broad Brook, \$7 13; New York Bible and Prayer Book and Tract Societies \$4 60; Domestic Missions \$28 28; for Nashotah \$5; Foreign Missions \$5; special for China \$14; Christian Knowledge Society \$10 15; total \$85 93.

The Parish has prospered during the past year. To God be the praise. There is much room left for improvement, both in temporal matters and spiritual.

*Christ Church, (Tashua,) Trumbull.*

THE REV. J. G. DOWNING, RECTOR.

The report of this Parish, on my own behalf, extends only to

Easter, at which time I entered upon its charge. Families 62. Baptism 1. Communicants—deceased 3; present number about 50. Burials 4. Sunday School—teachers 7; children 40. Contributions—Bishop White Prayer Book Society \$5; Missions \$15; Christian Knowledge Society \$5; Bishop's salary \$7 50; Convention Fund \$2; for parochial objects \$43; total \$77 50.

The present prospects of this Parish are exceedingly satisfactory, and afford much hope of future growth and success. All our Pews have been sold for the year, so that it is not improbable we may be shortly called upon to seek an increased accommodation for the wants of this growing Parish.

On behalf of my predecessor, I am requested to report, that the official acts performed by him, from June, 1849, to Easter, 1850, were as follows: Baptisms 2. Marriages 3. Burials 5.

*Trinity Church, (Nichols' Farms,) Trumbull.*

THE REV. E. HUNTINGTON, RECTOR.

The present Rector took charge of this Church about one year and a half since. The Church was then partly finished, and the congregation was occupying a school-house in the neighborhood. About New-Year, the edifice was completed, and public worship, according to the rights of the Church, commenced. The failure of a carriage factory; just before I took charge of the Parish, the proprietors of which were zealous Churchmen and mainly instrumental in getting the Parish formed, produced a feeling of discouragement in the small band upon whom the weight of sustaining the Church rested. New friends were, however, providentially raised up for us. Our congregations have been good, and a spirited band of Churchmen now regularly worship here. The Church was consecrated about a year since. A class of eight have renewed their baptismal vows in confirmation. About thirty communicants assemble at the Table of the Lord to commemorate his dying love. Twelve have been admitted into the Church by Baptism. Ten were baptized on one occasion. I have attended two funerals, and two couples have been united in matrimony. A Sunday School of about thirty pupils has been collected. The prospects of the Church are, on the whole,

encouraging. Having been engaged in establishing a Literary Institution at Bridgeport, about four and a half miles from the Church, I have been enabled to officiate for the Parish every Lord's day, with extra services during Lent. The Ladies' Sewing Society have raised, since the commencement of this enterprise, about \$300 for the Parish expenses, and for the erection of the Church edifice. We have been aided by our brethren in different parts of the Diocese ; and the sums promised us, with the efforts of the Parish, will, we hope, free us during the year from all indebtedness.

*Trinity Church, Newtown.*

(NO REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Reading.*

THE REV. J. P. TAYLOR, RECTOR.

Families about 50. Baptisms—infants 8. Communicants—lost by removals and deaths 7 ; added anew 1 ; by removal 1 ; present number 56. Sunday School—teachers 8 ; children 40. Offerings and collections \$160.

*St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield.*

THE REV. HENRY OLMSTEAD, LATE RECTOR.

I relinquished the charge of this Parish at Easter last, having exercised the ministry in it, as Rector, for four years. Not having the Parish Register at hand, I am unable to give the usual statistics, except that I have baptized three infants and one adult, solemnized three marriages, and buried six persons. Alms for objects without the Parish \$53.

This Parish has suffered much from removals, but still it is thought to be in a prosperous and healthy state. I desire to record my grateful remembrance of the many kindnesses showed me by this people during my ministry among them. It may be added to



this report, that since Easter, there have been two baptisms and one burial, by the present Rector, the Rev. William Staunton.

*St. Mark's Church, New Canaan.*

THE REV. D. H. SHORT, RECTOR.

Number of families, between 60 and 70. Baptisms 10. Marriages 2. Funerals 13. Communicants 95.

*St. James' Church, Zoar.*

(No REPORT.)

——— *Church, Weston.*

THE REV. D. G. TOMLINSON, RECTOR.

Families about 30. Baptisms—infants 3; adults 2; total 5. Confirmed 6. Marriages 2. Communicants—added anew 3; removed 2; died 1; present number 30. Contributions—Church at Broad Brook \$3; Foreign Missions \$4; Christian Knowledge Society \$2 50; other objects out of the Parish \$7; total \$16 50.

There is but little alteration in the general state of the Parish. It may be added, however, that a new Communion Service, at a cost of \$30, has been procured the last year; and a burying ground laid out in rear of the Church.

**Litchfield County.**

*St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.*

THE REV. BENJAMIN W. STONE, RECTOR.

Families 110. Baptisms—infants 16; adults 3; total 19. Confirmed 4. Communicants—added by removal 10; anew 11; lost

by removal 3 ; by death 4 ; present number 156. Marriages 2. Burials 15. Missionary and other contributions—Christian Knowledge Society, through the Missionary Association of Litchfield county, \$42 60 ; Domestic Missions \$22 ; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund \$7 ; Parish objects \$104 99 ; Offertory \$33 ; total \$209 59.

The above report is in some respects incomplete. The present Rector has had charge of the parish only eight months ; and the statistics given embrace the record of the preceding four months of the Rev. Dr. Fuller's ministry. To the indefatigable zeal and labors of this Rev. Brother, the Parish of St. Michael's is, under God, greatly indebted for its present strength and prosperity.

### *Trinity Church, Northfield.*

THE REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, LATE RECTOR.

On the 13th of April last I resigned the charge of this Parish, having officiated in it about one year and a half. During the past Conventional year, no changes of importance have taken place ; the Parish continues, as in years past, in a healthy condition.

The statistics are as follows : Families 37. Baptisms—infant 1 ; adult 1 ; total 2. Confirmed 2. Communicants—lost by death 2 ; by removal 1 ; added by removal 2 : present number 44. Marriages 2. Burials 6. Contributions—Christian Knowledge Society, through the Missionary Association of Litchfield county, \$7 ; Domestic Missions \$5 ; unappropriated \$10 38 ; total \$22 38.

### *St. Paul's Church, Bantam Falls.*

THE REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

I entered on my duties as the Rector of this Parish, April 21, 1850, being the 3d Sunday after Easter. The Rev. F. D. Harri- man had resigned the parish a short time previous and removed to Lafayette, Indiana. The following statistics are taken from the Parish Record : Families, about 40. Baptisms—adults 4 ; infants 3 ; total 7. Confirmed 8. Burials 9. Contributions \$15.

*Trinity Church, Milton.*

THE REV. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, RECTOR.

I assumed the charge of this Parish simultaneously with that of St. Paul's, Bantam Falls. The former Rector has recorded upon the Parish Register the following parochial memoranda and ministerial acts: viz. Families, about 40. Baptisms—adults 2; infants 5; total 7. Confirmed 8. Burials 8; of these, the Rev. Mr. Harriman attended 3; the Rev. Mr. Berry, 1; the Rev. Mr. Stone, of Litchfield, 2; and the present Rector, 2. I have also solemnized one marriage. Contributions \$21.

In these two Parishes, embracing a considerable extent of territory, there is much good material for the Church, and sufficient strength to provide for a permanent maintenance of the ministry of the same. May God's blessing attend the means which are used to extend His Church in this portion of His vineyard.

*St. Paul's Church, Woodbury.*

THE REV. ROBERT O. ROGERS, RECTOR ELECT.

Families 74. Baptisms—infant 1; adults 2; total 3. Marriages 4. Burials 5. Confirmed 7. Communicants—added by removal 5; anew 5; lost by removal 3; by death 1; present number 61. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 48. Bible Class 12. Contributions—missionary \$20 50; offertory \$19 92; Sunday school library \$35 26; parochial purposes \$75 70; total \$151 38.

My connection with this Parish commenced on the first Sunday in October, 1849. The above Report, however, embraces the entire year since the last Convention.

The Rector, since he assumed his present charge, has made Catechetical Instruction a regular and prominent exercise in the Sunday School. In this department of his ministrations—as also in the stated services of the Church—a lively interest is evinced which is highly encouraging. The Parish is united and increasing, not merely in numerical—but apparently in real, that is, spiritual strength. Though not possessing a large share of “this world's

goods," the people are ever ready to "do their diligence gladly to give of that little" with which the Lord has entrusted them.

*Christ Church, Sharon.*

THE REV. ALONZO G. SHEARS, MINISTER.

This Parish remains substantially the same as reported last year as regards the number of families. Baptisms—infants 4. Confirmations 6. Marriages 5. Burials 2. Communicants—died 1; added by removal 1; anew 6. The offerings at communion have been greater in amount than heretofore. Contributions—Domestic missions \$9 50; Foreign \$2 50; Christian Knowledge Society \$3; to the same through the County Missionary Association \$7 84; total \$22 84. The Sunday School has been continued.

We trust that the Churchmen of this Parish will never yield to despondency, but more and more evince that zeal and those sacrifices that must ultimately be followed by success. Much might be reported of a gratifying character in the history of the past year, which is, we hope, an omen of better days to this old Parish.

*St. Andrew's Church, (Marbledale,) New Preston.*

THE REV. JAMES L. SCOTT, RECTOR.

Families 65. Baptisms—adults 10; children 8; total 18. Confirmed 19. Marriages 7. Burials 15. Communicants—died 1; added 18; present number 69. Sunday School—teachers 8; scholars 45. Contributions—Domestic Missions \$13 10; Diocesan Missions \$14; Tracts \$5; total \$32 10.

This Parish, in respect to temporalities, is said to be at present in a condition of unprecedented prosperity. It is now more than free from debt, and every desirable seat is let. The attendance on public worship is very good, and the demeanor devotional. The statistics above, compared with those of former years, may be something of an index to its present spiritual condition. A number are now ready to receive the sacred rite of confirmation. During Lent, once a week, and on other days of Fast or Feast, the Church was

opened for Divine Worship, according as an attendance was though practicable in a community situated as is ours. It is expected and prayed for, that the Parish will soon have full services, which now are held but half the time.

*St. John's Church, Washington.*

THE REV. JAMES L. SCOTT, RECTOR.

Families 28. Confirmed 2. Burials 2. Communicants—died 1; added 3; present number 33. Sunday School—teachers 4; scholars 20. Contributions—Domestic Missions \$5 90; Diocesan Missions \$7 24; Tracts \$2; Sunday School Library \$9 50; total \$24 65.

Much improved as it is in its condition, this Parish finds a chief obstacle to its material enlargement in the smallness of its Church edifice. All the sittings are sold, and more might be; and the Church is well filled every Sunday, on which the services are held. Thus, while all the tendencies of the Parish are upward, its growth is restrained by the lack of accommodations for worshippers. A kindly spirit of union, and an earnest, intelligent attachment to Church principles, prevail among the parishioners who assemble when the Sanctuary is open for lay-reading, on the alternate Sundays when the clergyman is not present. The scattered residences of the parishioners prevents a frequent observance of the Holy Days of the Church.

*Christ Church, Bethlem.*

THE REV. J. S. COVELL, RECTOR.

Families 51. Baptisms—infant 1; adults 5; total 6. Communicants—lost by removal 3; by death 2; added anew 8; present number 68. Marriages 3. Confirmed 9. Burials 5. Sunday School—children 35; teachers 8. Missionary contributions \$12; to purchase Books for the Sunday school and Parish Library \$15; total \$27.

It is believed that the Parish is at present united and pros-

perous. Attendance on the regular services of the Church. and on the Holy Communion, is generally very good. During the last year, a fine toned Bell has been purchased, weighing 938 lbs., at the cost of \$278 88, about one hundred of which has been paid by an individual of the Parish, to whose liberality and interest, always manifested in its affairs, the Church in this place owes much.

The Church was opened every Wednesday during the season of Lent, and considering the distance many live from the place where prayer is wont to be made, the attendance was good.

*St. James' Church, (Winsted,) Winchester.*

THE REV. JONATHAN COE, RECTOR.

Families 57. Baptisms—children 10; adults 3; total 13. Confirmed 6. Communicants—added anew 4; by removal 8; lost by removal 2; present number 26. Marriages 5. Burials 6. Children belonging to the Sunday School 30; teachers 5. Monthly Collections, (including \$2 87 from Communion Alms,) \$47 92. Appropriations as follows: Seabury Monument \$1; County Association \$10; Domestic Missions \$20; African Mission \$5; Christian Knowledge Society \$5; Infirm Clergy Fund \$3; Prot. Episcopal Tract Society \$3; New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society \$3. The Communion Alms, which are mostly devoted to parochial objects, are not included in this report.

*Union Church, Hitchcocksville.*

REPORT BY THE SENIOR WARDEN.

This Parish has had no Clergyman and no regular services the past year. Nor is the prospect more favorable for time to come. A serious loss to the Church has been sustained by removals the past year. The Rev. J. Coe, Rector of St. James', Winsted, has officiated in the Church several times on Sunday Evenings. The same Clergyman has baptised one infant, and buried one person. The Rev. T. Wilcoxson has officiated on one Sunday, and admin-

istered the Holy Communion. The Rev. J. H. Betts, Missionary at New Hartford, has also officiated once on Sunday, and baptised a child, making two baptisms during the year. Two persons, residing within the limits of this Parish, have been confirmed in St. James' Church, Winsted, where one has also been added anew to the Communion, and where several communicants of this Parish have received that Holy Sacrament. Four dollars have been contributed to the Litchfield County Association; and ten dollars, by an individual, to the Winsted Church. Present number of Communicants, fifteen.

THE REV. JOHN. H. BETTS,

*Missionary at New Hartford,*

Reports as follows: I was appointed to this station by the Bishop in December last. During the winter I was employed in collecting funds for the erection of a Church in this place. In April I came here to reside, but in consequence of the want of a suitable place in which to hold services, I have officiated but once. During this time, however, I have visited the people from house to house, and distributed Tracts and Prayer Books among them. We have now a suitable place for the celebration of our holy services, and they are held regularly every Sunday.

There are some seventy families, besides some fifty single individuals, who will attend the services of the Church in this place. Soon the corner-stone of our new Church will be laid, which we hope will be completed by Fall.

I have officiated at two burials. There are no Communicants.

*Christ Church, Canaan.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. Andrew's Church, Kent.*

(No REPORT.)

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*St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.*

THE REV. WILLIAM WATSON, RECTOR.

Families 117. Baptisms—infants 12. Communicants—added by removal 2 ; anew 15 ; lost by removal 5 ; by death 6 ; present number 219. Marriages 5. Burials 12. Sunday School—teachers 19 ; scholars 100. Missionary and charitable contributions—to the Christian Knowledge Society, through the Missionary Association of Litchfield County, \$33 ; to other charities of the Church \$70 82 ; in all \$103 82. The annual collection for the aged and infirm Clergy Fund will be made on the next Communion Sunday. The very marked diminution which will be observed in the charitable contributions from this Parish the present year as compared with those of former years, is owing to the necessity of making unusual demands for parochial purposes. When relieved from these, as it is trusted they will be before long, the members of this Parish will be ready to do as much as they have ever done for the advancement of the gospel and the extension of the Church. Their interest in this good work is not in the least abated.

This venerable Parish, though severely tried by the loss, within a short time, of a large number of its most valued members, may yet be said to be prosperous—being made up of a people blessed with unanimity, and with a spirit of devotion to its interests.

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*Trinity Church, Wolcottville.*

THE REV. J. DOWNING BERRY MINISTER.

Having taken but the temporary charge of this Parish, and so late as the 3rd Sunday after Easter, I rely, for statistics, upon the records of the former Rector, which I presume, are for the present, very nearly correct. Families 50. Communicants 18. Sunday School—teachers 6 ; scholars 20. Marriages 4. Burials 4. Baptisms—infants 5 ; adults 4 ; total 9.

This Parish for great pecuniary sacrifice is worthy of imitation ; and deserves, as its energy, under God, will secure, prosperity and numerical strength.



*Christ Church, Roxbury.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.*

THE REV. COLLIS I. POTTER, LATE MINISTER.

Immediately after my ordination, I took charge of this Parish, to which my entire services were devoted until Easter. In addition to the Sunday services, I preached on Christmas Day, and six times during Lent. The attendance on these extra services was very good. The number of families and communicants is the same as last year. Baptisms—infants 3. Burials 2.

*St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater.*

(No REPORT.)

*St. John's Church, Salisbury.*

THE REV. G. HUNTINGTON NICHOLS, MINISTER,

Respectfully reports to his Rt. Rev. Diocesan, that the Parish numbers twenty-five families; that, since the last Convention, there have been added to the Church by baptism eight children and five adults; five have partaken for the first time of the Holy Eucharist; two communicants have been removed by death, and three have changed their parochial residence; present number twenty-four. Six candidates have received the holy rite of confirmation; five marriages have been solemnized; and six burials have been attended. The moneys collected for Missionary and charitable purposes are \$31 79. This is over and above the funds contributed for the extinguishment of certain indebtedness of the Parish, and for other parochial purposes. A very commodious house has been purchased by a few of the parishioners, and presented for the free use of the Rector. Sincerely does he hope that this and other substantial evidences of kindness are the fruits of a deeper interest in the cause of Christ.

The Church has been open for Divine Service on Sundays, on the greater Festivals and Fasts, and on each Wednesday and Friday during Lent. The Holy Communion has been administered on the first Sunday of each month, and on those Holy Days for which a special Preface is provided.

*St. John's Church, New Milford.*

THE REV. G. B. HAYDEN, (DEACON,) MINISTER OFFICIATING.

My connection with this Parish has been only from the 21st of last April, (third Sunday after Easter.) The undetermined nature of this connection, as yet, has also united with the brevity of it, in keeping me from that definite information of the state of the Parish which the Canons pre-suppose the Minister usually to possess. The parochial register, also, has too many and great deficiencies to permit of its supplying this information fully and accurately. I can, therefore, only report of this Parish that, so far as I have been able to ascertain, it consists of 110 families. The number of communicants I can only estimate, and set it down at about that of the families. The Sunday School was organized as soon after my entering on duties here as was practicable, and now contains 15 teachers and 52 scholars. The number of the latter is rapidly increasing, which fact, together with the interest exhibited on the part of the teachers, is an encouraging indication that the Shepherd of the lambs, as well as of the sheep, will deign to use this humble means as an efficient instrument of good to this fold. My ministerial acts here, besides the regular Sunday services, have been the burial of two adults, and of one infant; the latter extra-parochial.

In connection with the above, it is proper to report that, during the brief incumbency of the late Rector, the Rev. Mr. Rees, who resigned at Easter last, more than \$250 were collected for Missionary, Parish, and other purposes. The Church edifice was much improved and beautified. Prayers were said and a Lecture given on each of the principal Feast and Fast days, and frequently during the season of Lent. The Sunday School was also in successful operation, during the usual period of its being open. His other ministerial acts were as follows: Baptisms—infants 24; adults 9; total 33. Presented for Confirmation 17. Marriages 12. Burials 13.

A spirit of harmony and unity prevails in the Parish, promising much advantage to individual godliness, and to the Parish as a body. During no time within the past two years have the prospects of this Church been so favorable for temporal and spiritual advancement as, by the grace of God, they now seem to be.

I have also to report that, from Epiphany to Easter, (both included,) I had temporary charge of Grace Church, Saybrook. I had no other official acts to perform there than the regular Sunday services, together with those of Ash-Wednesday and Good-Friday, and extra services once a week for most of the weeks in Lent, and for each of the days in Passion Week ; excepting the catechising of the young.

The other portions of my time, since my ordination in September last, have been occupied more or less on every Sunday, except one, with ministerial duties. In these intervals I have baptized two infants, one for the Rev. Sylvester Nash, in the Parish of St. John's, Essex ; the other in Lyme. I also officiated at the funeral of a child, for the Rev. J. L. Clark, of St. John's, Waterbury.

*Christ Church, Harwinton.*

(No REPORT.)

*Christ Church, Watertown.*

THE REV. H. H. REID, RECTOR.

The Rector entered upon the discharge of his duties soon after Easter. The following is the report for the conventional year, derived, for the time previous, from the registry of the Rev. F. Holcomb, D. D., late Rector.

Families 140. Communicants 141. Baptisms—infants 10; adults 18 ; total 28. Confirmed 23. Marriages 7. Burials 12. Sunday School—teachers 13 ; scholars 119. Contributions—Alms at Communion \$35 47 ; Monthly Offerings, devoted to Missions \$110 75 ; Neshotah \$75 ; Clergy Fund \$5 60 ; total \$226 82.

## Tolland County.

### *St. Peter's Church, Hebron.*

**THE REV. CHARLES R. FISHER, MINISTER.**

I entered upon the duties of this Parish on the first Sunday after Epiphany. Since that time there have been two Burials; one Baptism; and one Communicant added by removal. Families 51. Communicants 41. Monthly Offertory \$21 74.

During the Rectorship of my predecessor, the Rev. S. G. Hitchcock, (a period of somewhat more than four years,) he performed sixty-three Baptisms; presented for Confirmation twenty-five candidates; admitted thirty-three to the Holy Communion; solemnized thirteen Marriages and officiated at 29 Funerals. Within the same time the Church edifice was thoroughly repaired, and an addition of \$2000 made to the permanent fund of the Parish.

I officiated in Grace Church, Saybrook, from Good Friday, 1849, till the first Sunday after Christmas.

All my official acts since the last Convention have been: Baptisms 9. Marriages 7. Burials 3.

Being obliged to reside in Hartford, my charge of a Parish is, for the present, necessarily temporary; and I am, therefore, employed in supplying, under the direction of the Bishop, such Parishes as may be unable, for a time, to secure the services of a resident clergyman.

### *St. Clement's Church, Coventry.*

(No REPORT.)

# Abstract View

OF THE

## STATE OF THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE.

(PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY.)

|                                                                                                               |             |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>FAMILIES</b> , in 67 Parishes, as by foregoing Reports,                                                    | 5366        |             |
| “ in the other 43 Parishes of the Diocese, according to Reports of previous years,                            | } 2580      |             |
|                                                                                                               | —           | 7946        |
| <b>BAPTISMS</b> , of <i>infants</i> , during the last year, in 83 Parishes, none being reported in 27 others, | } 860       |             |
| “ of <i>adults</i> in 51 Parishes, none being reported in 59 others,                                          | } 216       |             |
|                                                                                                               | —           | 1076        |
| <b>CONFIRMATIONS</b> , during the last year, in 50 Parishes,                                                  |             | 600         |
| <b>COMMUNICANTS</b> , added by removal in 36 Parishes,                                                        |             | 224         |
| “ added anew in 37 Parishes,                                                                                  |             | 379         |
| “ lost by removal in 42 Parishes,                                                                             |             | 277         |
| “ lost by death in 42 Parishes,                                                                               |             | 124         |
| “ reported as added, without distinction of manner, in 11 Parishes,                                           | } 176       |             |
| “ present number in 70 Parishes, as by this year's Reports,                                                   | } 7273      |             |
| “ “ “ in other 40 Parishes, by Reports of former years,                                                       | } 2087      |             |
|                                                                                                               | —           | 9360        |
| <b>MARRIAGES</b> , during the last year, in 70 Parishes,                                                      |             | 379         |
| <b>BURIALS</b> , during the last year, in 80 Parishes,                                                        |             | 833         |
| <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> , Teachers in 42 Parishes,                                                               |             | 514         |
| “ “ Scholars in 51 Parishes,                                                                                  |             | 3903        |
| <b>CONTRIBUTIONS</b> , reported from 64 Parishes,                                                             | \$25,973 98 |             |
| “ deduct, devoted by Parishes to their own objects,                                                           | } 10,753 77 |             |
| “ for other than Parochial purposes,                                                                          |             | \$15,220 21 |

From the Bishop's Address, it further appears that there have been, during the past year,

|                                                    |           |   |    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|---|----|
| <b>ORDINATIONS</b> to the Diaconate,               | . . . . . | 7 |    |
| “ the Priesthood,                                  | . . . . . | 8 |    |
|                                                    |           | — | 15 |
| <b>INSTITUTIONS</b> of Clergy into Parishes,       | . . . . . |   | 1  |
| <b>NEW CHURCHES</b> , consecrated,                 | . . . . . |   | 1  |
| “ “ in process of erection,                        | . . . . . |   | 3  |
| <b>DIMISSORY LETTERS</b> , given to Clergymen,     | . . . . . |   | 13 |
| “ “ received,                                      | . . . . . |   | 8  |
| <b>CANDIDATES</b> FOR HOLY ORDERS, present number, | . . . . . |   | 13 |

# CONSTITUTION

## OF THE

### Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge,

*Adopted in 1818, and amended 1822, 1825, 1830, 1831 and 1840.*

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called, "The Connecticut Protestant Episcopal Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge."

ART. 2. The Society shall be considered as comprehending all the members of the Church in this Diocese, and shall be represented for all purposes by the members of the Convention.

ART. 3. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio* President of the Society; and the Bishop and the Standing Committee shall constitute the Board of Directors. The Secretary and Treasurer of the Society shall be appointed by the Board.

ART. 4. The Board shall meet as often as the interest of the Society may require; and may take such measures as they may think expedient to obtain funds. They shall employ Missionaries within the Diocese; and may cause to be procured and distributed, or sold, Bibles, Prayer Books, and Religious Tracts, in such manner as they may think proper.

ART. 5. All monies received for the benefit of the Society, shall be subject to the order of the Board, and shall be appropriated to the purposes specified in Article 4. But any congregation or individual shall be allowed the privilege of designating the Church, station or object to which one half of their contribution shall be applied; and it shall be appropriated by the Board accordingly.

ART. 6. The Board shall make an annual Report of their appropriations and other proceedings to the Convention; and the Treasurer shall also make a report of the state of the funds, including the names of the several Parishes, which annually contribute, with the amount of their contributions; and also a statement of any donations received from individuals; which reports, or so much of them as the Convention may direct, shall be entered on the Journals.

ART. 7. At every Annual Session of the Convention, a Sermon shall be preached before the Society.

ART. 8. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without having been proposed to the Convention, at least one day before it is acted upon; and the Convention alone shall have power to make alterations.

## APPENDIX B.

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*The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, in account  
with SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer.*

|                      |                                                                         | Dr.      |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1849.                |                                                                         |          |
| June 13,             | To Cash paid for several special appropriations, as follows :           |          |
|                      | “ “ from St. John’s Church, Waterbury,<br>to Rev. D. P. Sanford,        | \$25 00  |
|                      | “ “ from Clergy of New Haven County,<br>to Rev. C. S. Putnam,           | 9 42     |
|                      | “ “ from St. Paul’s Church, New Haven,<br>to Rev. A. B. Chapin,         | 25 00    |
|                      | “ “ from Clergy of Fairfield County, to<br>Rev. William Atwill,         | 35 00    |
| July 3,              | “ “ Rev. J. Coe, for services in Hitch-<br>cocksville, to Easter, 1849, | 43 00    |
| 13,                  | “ “ Rev. F. Sill for traveling expenses,                                | 25 00    |
| Oct. 3,              | “ “ for Michaelmas appropriations, as fol-<br>lows :                    |          |
|                      | “ “ to Rev. J. S. Covell \$12 50 ; Rev.<br>Dr. Jarvis, \$25,            | 37 50    |
|                      | “ “ to Rev. G. W. Nichols \$25 ; Rev. A.<br>B. Chapin \$25,             | 50 00    |
| 8,                   | “ “ to Rev. D. P. Sanford \$25 ; Rev. F.<br>B. Woodward \$25,           | 50 00    |
| 16,                  | “ “ Rev. F. J. Clerc, for Mission in Broad<br>Brook,                    | 42 12    |
| 19,                  | “ “ Rev. J. D. Carder, for Mission in<br>Milford, to Easter, 1849,      | 50 00    |
| 24,                  | “ “ Rev. Henry Townsend \$25 ; Rev.<br>Alonzo G. Shears \$25,           | 50 00    |
|                      | “ “ Rev. D. H. Short \$25 ; Rev. Abel<br>Nichols \$25,                  | 50 00    |
|                      | “ “ Rev. B. M. Yarrington \$25 ; Rev.<br>James L. Scott \$25,           | 50 00    |
| (Amount carried up,) |                                                                         | \$542 04 |

|          |    |                                                                             |            |
|----------|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|          |    | (Amount brought up,)                                                        | \$542 04 . |
| Nov. 12, | To | Cash paid Rev. J. Coe, Bishop's order for special appropriation to Winsted, | 20 00      |
| Dec. 10, | "  | " Rev. D. G. Tomlinson \$25 ; Rev. Joseph P. Taylor \$25,                   | 50 00      |
| 20,      | "  | " for Missionary services by the Bishop, refunded to him,                   | 10 00      |
| 24,      | "  | " Rev. G. B. Hayden, special allowance for Broad Brook,                     | 24 00      |
| 27,      | "  | " Rev. Frederick Sill, for Missionary services, by order of Dec. 18,        | 150 00     |
| 29,      | "  | " Rev. D. P. Sanford \$25 ; Rev. W. O. Jarvis \$25,                         | 50 00      |
| 1850.    |    |                                                                             |            |
| Jan. 14, | "  | " Rev. H. Townsend, in advance for Easter payment,                          | 25 00      |
| Feb. 12, | "  | " Rev. Henry Fitch, for Mission of Broad Brook,                             | 50 00      |
| April 4, | "  | " Rev. Frederick Sill, Mission in Middlesex County,                         | 50 00      |
|          | "  | " Easter appropriations in April, as follows :                              |            |
|          | "  | " Rev. Abel Nichols \$25 ; Bishop's order for Tariffville \$50,             | 75 00      |
|          | "  | " Rev. D. P. Sanford \$25 ; Rev. G. W. Nichols \$25,                        | 50 00      |
|          | "  | " Rev. F. B. Woodward \$25 ; Rev. H. Fitch, on account, \$100,              | 125 00     |
|          | "  | " Rev. A. B. Chapin, special appropriation, Trinity Church, N. Haven,       | 25 00      |
|          | "  | " Rev. Joseph S. Covell \$12 50 ; Rev. B. M. Yarrington \$25,               | 37 50      |
|          | "  | " Rev. D. H. Short \$25 ; Rev. A. B. Chapin \$25,                           | 50 00      |
|          | "  | " Rev. J. P. Taylor \$25 ; Rev. W. O. Jarvis \$25,                          | 50 00      |
| June 4,  | "  | " Rev. Dr. Jarvis \$25 ; postage eleven letters 55 cents,                   | 25 55      |
|          | "  | " Rev. D. G. Tomlinson \$25 ; Rev. Alonzo G. Shears \$25,                   | 50 00      |
|          | "  | " balance to new account,                                                   | 599 69     |
|          |    |                                                                             | <hr/>      |
|          |    |                                                                             | \$2,058 79 |



| 1849.                |                                                                                  | Cr.              |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| June 12,             | By balance from last year's account, as per Journal of 1849, pp. 94-5            | \$674 33         |
| July 3,              | " amount received at Convention, and remitted by T. Belknap, Esq.,               | 521 81           |
|                      | " amount collected in St. John's Church, remitted by J. M. Goodwin, Esq.,        | 34 27            |
| Oct. 3,              | " Cash from St. James' Church, Birmingham, by J. G. Wilcoxson, Esq.,             | 14 34            |
|                      | " Cash from St. John's Church, Waterbury, special appropriation for Winsted,     | 20 50            |
| 8,                   | " Legacy of Mrs. Amy Peck, of Brookfield, from her executor, through the Bishop, | 300 00           |
| 24,                  | " Cash from Christ Church, Hartford, through the Rector,                         | 50 00            |
| 26,                  | " Cash from Parish of Newtown, through Mr. Amariah Beers,                        | 14 15            |
| 31,                  | " Cash, special appropriation for Broad Brook, through Rev. Dr. Todd,            | 32 91            |
| Nov. 1,              | " Cash from Christ Church, Middletown, through the Rector,                       | 35 00            |
| 24,                  | " Cash from St. Peter's Church, Munroe, through the Rector,                      | 12 00            |
| 30,                  | " Cash from Church at North Killingworth, through Rev. F. Sill, Missionary,      | 1 11             |
|                      | " Cash from St. Stephen's Church, Ridgefield, through Rev. H. Olmstead, Jr.,     | 7 00             |
| Dec. 20,             | " St. John's Church, New Milford, through Rev. Mr. Rees,                         | 5 25             |
|                      | " Cash, special appropriation for Broad Brook, from Birmingham,                  | 20 00            |
| 28,                  | " Cash from Christ Church, Tashua, through Rev. J. W. Hoffman,                   | 6 00             |
| 1850.                |                                                                                  |                  |
| Jan. 3,              | " Cash from Christ Church, Reading, through Rev. J. P. Taylor,                   | 3 00             |
| 19,                  | " Cash from St. Matthew's, Wilton, through Rev. A. Ogden,                        | 5 00             |
| Feb. 12,             | " Cash from Christ Church, Hartford, through Rev. P. S. Chauncey,                | 51 62            |
| 14,                  | " Cash from St. James' Church, Fair Haven, through Rev. W. E. Vibbert,           | 10 00            |
| 19,                  | " Cash from Trinity Church, Southport, through Rev. N. E. Cornwall,              | 18 00            |
| (Amount carried up,) |                                                                                  | <hr/> \$1,836 29 |

|           |                                                                                           |            |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|           | (Amount brought up,)                                                                      | \$1,836 29 |
| March 13, | To Cash from St. Mark's Church, Bridgewater,<br>through Rev. W. O. Jarvis,                | 5 00       |
| April 3,  | " Cash from Church of the Holy Trinity, Had-<br>dam, through Rev. Dr. Jarvis,             | 1 00       |
| 4,        | " Cash from St. James' Church, Westville,<br>through Rev. H. Townsend,                    | 5 00       |
| 29,       | " Cash from Trinity Church, New Haven, through<br>Rev. Dr. Croswell,                      | 125 00     |
| May 22,   | " Cash from St. John's Church, North Guilford,<br>through Rev. D. Baldwin,                | 4 00       |
|           | " Cash from Christ Church, Middle Haddam,<br>through Rev. F. B. Woodward,                 | 7 50       |
| June 4,   | " Cash from Christ Church, Sharon, through Rev.<br>A. G. Shears,                          | 3 00       |
| 5,        | " Cash, three dividends in 1849 on 4 shares in<br>Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Hartford, | 40 00      |
|           | " Cash, one dividend in May, 1850, on same,                                               | 16 00      |
|           | " Omitted dividend in Sept., 1848, on 2 shares in<br>Phoenix Bank, Hartford,              | 8 00       |
|           | " Dividend in March, 1850, on same,                                                       | 8 00       |

(Errors excepted.) \$2,058 79

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

*New London, June 11th, 1850.*

June 11, By balance to be carried to next year's account, \$599 69

## APPENDIX C.

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*Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows, in account with SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, Treasurer.*

|          |                                                                                             | DR.      |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1849.    |                                                                                             |          |
| Oct. 8,  | To Cash paid Rev. A. B. Chapin, special appropriation,                                      | \$50 00  |
| Dec. 10, | " " " Mrs. Cornwall, relict of the Rev. Asa Cornwall, through her son, Rev. N. E. Cornwall, | 50 00    |
| 28,      | " " " Mrs. Elizabeth Beach, through her son, Rev. Amos B. Beach,                            | 50 00    |
| 1850.    |                                                                                             |          |
| June 5,  | " Balance to be carried to new account,                                                     | 503 72   |
|          |                                                                                             | \$653 72 |

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|          |                                                                             | CR.      |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1849.    |                                                                             |          |
| June 12, | By balance from last year's account, as per Journal of 1849, p. 97,         | \$391 33 |
| July 3,  | " amount received at Convention of 1849, as per Journal of 1849, p. 98,     | 249 30   |
|          | " cash from Christ Church, Westport, through the Rev. William H. Frisbie,   | 6 09     |
| 1850.    |                                                                             |          |
| May 28,  | " cash from St. Michael's Church, Litchfield, through the Rev. B. W. Stone, | 7 00     |
|          |                                                                             | \$653 72 |

(Errors excepted.)

SAMUEL FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

*New London, June 11, 1850.*

With regard to the balances which appear in these two accounts, it is proper to remark that the allowances to Broad Brook, New Hartford, Milford, and Nichols' Farms, for the past year, will probably consume the greater part of the sums now on hand for Missions.

The Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen and Widows is subject only to special appropriations. Last year there were four, this year there have been three, of \$50 each. The Treasurer begs leave to suggest that the education of the sons and daughters of Clergymen would be another object highly beneficial to the Church; and if a permanent fund could be created, and the balance of every year invested, the donations of the several Parishes would become more constant, and might ultimately form a most important encouragement to the faithful laborers in the Lord's vineyard.

Respectfully submitted.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

*Contributions of Parishes, made at the Convention of 1850, to the Infirm Clergy and Widows' Fund, and to the Christian Knowledge Society.*

|                            |                                                            | I. C. F. | C. K. S. |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| From St. Gabriel's Church, | Windsor,                                                   |          | \$3 00   |
| " Christ                   | " Westport,                                                | \$10 68  | 10 15    |
| " Christ                   | " Stratford,                                               | 19 00    | 13 46    |
| " Christ                   | " Weston,                                                  |          | 2 50     |
| " Grace                    | " Broad Brook,                                             |          | 2 00     |
| " Trinity                  | " Branford,                                                | 5 00     | 3 00     |
| " St. John's               | " Essex,                                                   |          | 2 00     |
| " Christ                   | " Guilford,                                                | 5 18     | 10 00    |
| " St. John's               | " Warehouse Point,                                         | 6 00     | 10 00    |
| " All Saints'              | " Wolcott,                                                 | 1 30     | 4 33     |
| " St. Paul's               | " New Haven, (\$50 to<br>Ansonia, and \$25 to West Haven,) | 50 00    | 125 00   |
| " St. James' Church,       | New London,                                                | 20 00    |          |
| " St. James'               | " Westville,                                               | 4 00     | 5 00     |
| " Christ                   | " East Haven,                                              | 1 50     | 2 33     |
| " Christ                   | " Watertown,                                               | 5 62     |          |
| " St. Peter's              | " Cheshire,                                                | 6 00     | 5 00     |
| " St. Paul's               | " Norwalk,                                                 | 31 74    | 50 56    |
| " St. James'               | " Poquetanock,                                             | 4 15     |          |
| " St. George's             | " Milford,                                                 | 2 00     | 5 00     |
| " Trinity                  | " Fairfield,                                               | 22 00    | 18 00    |
| " St. Mark's               | " New Canaan,                                              | 5 00     | 10 00    |
| " Christ                   | " Norwich,                                                 | 21 00    | 50 00    |
| " St. John's               | " Waterbury, (\$50 for<br>Ansonia,)                        | 27 11    | 110 00   |
| (Amount carried up,)       |                                                            | \$247 28 | \$441 33 |

|                                                                                              |                              | I. C. F.        | C. K. S.        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| (Amount brought up,)                                                                         |                              | \$247 28        | \$441 33        |
| From St. Andrew's Church,                                                                    | Meriden,                     | 11 85           |                 |
| " Christ                                                                                     | " Greenwich,                 |                 | 16 78           |
| " St. John's                                                                                 | " Fair Haven,                | 7 17            | 10 00           |
| " Trinity                                                                                    | " Portland,                  | 5 00            | 27 00           |
| " St. John's                                                                                 | " Hartford,                  | 55 50           | 37 50           |
| " Grace                                                                                      | " Long Hill,                 | 3 00            | 1 75            |
| " St. James'                                                                                 | " Winsted,                   | 3 00            | 5 00            |
| " St. John's                                                                                 | " Bridgeport, (for Winsted,) |                 | 10 00           |
| " St. John's                                                                                 | " North Haven,               |                 | 3 00            |
| " St. Thomas'                                                                                | " Bethel,                    |                 | 3 00            |
| " St. John's                                                                                 | " Stamford,                  |                 | 30 00           |
| " Zion                                                                                       | " North Branford,            |                 | 1 55            |
| " St. Michael's                                                                              | " Naugatuck, (for Ansonia,)  |                 | 6 00            |
| " St. James'                                                                                 | " Birmingham,                |                 | 8 11            |
| " St. John's                                                                                 | " Danbury,                   | 7 00            | 4 00            |
| " Christ                                                                                     | " West Haven,                | 2 00            | 10 00           |
| " St. Andrew's                                                                               | " Northford,                 |                 | 4 00            |
| " St. Paul's                                                                                 | " Brookfield,                |                 | 6 50            |
| Collected at Convention, on occasion of Annual<br>Sermon before Christian Knowledge Society, |                              |                 | 69 50           |
|                                                                                              |                              | <u>\$341 80</u> | <u>\$695 02</u> |

### RECAPITULATION.

For the Infirm Clergy and Widows' Fund—from 26 Parishes, \$341 80  
 For the Christian Knowledge Society—from 38 Parishes, 695 02

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Treasurer.*

# APPENDIX D.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Connecticut, in account with T. BELKNAP, Treasurer.*

|          |                                                                                  |          | Dr.      |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1849.    |                                                                                  |          |          |
| Aug. 4.  | To Cash paid S. Hanmer, Jr., for Printing Journal of Convention,                 |          | \$195 00 |
| 9,       | " " Rev. William Watson for transcribing Journal, &c.,                           |          | 4 46     |
| " "      | " Rev. William Watson, for chest for safe keeping of papers, &c., of Convention, |          | 11 54    |
| 1850.    |                                                                                  |          |          |
| June 11, | To balance Cash on hand, carried to new acc't,                                   | \$111 34 |          |
|          |                                                                                  |          | <hr/>    |
|          |                                                                                  |          | \$321 34 |

|          |                                                                                          |        | Cr.      |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| 1849.    |                                                                                          |        |          |
| June 12, | By balance from old account,                                                             |        | \$71 57  |
|          | " Cash received from sundry Parishes, at Convention, (see Journal of last year, p. 101,) | 247 52 |          |
| Sept. 1, | " Cash received from St. Peter's Church, Hebron,                                         |        | 2 25     |
|          |                                                                                          |        | <hr/>    |
|          |                                                                                          |        | \$321 34 |

### *In New Account.*

|       |                  |  | Cr.      |
|-------|------------------|--|----------|
| 1849. |                  |  |          |
|       | By Cash on hand, |  | \$111 34 |

T. BELKNAP, *Treasurer of Convention.*

*Hartford, June 12, 1850.*

*The following Parishes have paid the Assessment to the Convention  
Fund for 1850.*

|                       |                            |        |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------|
| St. Gabriel's Church, | Windsor,                   | \$1 87 |
| Christ                | Westport,                  | 3 75   |
| Christ                | Weston,                    | 50     |
| Grace                 | Broad Brook,               | 3 00   |
| Trinity               | Branford,                  | 3 00   |
| St. John's            | Essex,                     | 3 00   |
| Grace                 | Guilford,                  | 3 75   |
| St. John's            | Warehouse Point,           | 2 50   |
| St. John's            | North Guilford,            | 1 00   |
| St. Thomas'           | New Haven,                 | 4 50   |
| Christ                | Pomfret,                   | 1 50   |
| All Saints'           | Wolcott,                   | 1 87   |
| St. Paul's            | New Haven,                 | 15 00  |
| Grace                 | Saybrook,                  | 3 00   |
| St. James'            | Westville,                 | 2 50   |
| Christ                | East Haven,                | 1 50   |
| Christ                | Stratford,                 | 3 00   |
| St. Andrew's          | (Marbledale,) New Preston, | 1 87   |
| St. John's            | Washington,                | 1 50   |
| Christ                | Roxbury,                   | 1 87   |
| St. Peter's           | Cheshire,                  | 2 00   |
| St. Paul's            | Norwalk,                   | 4 50   |
| St. James'            | Poquetanock,               | 2 07   |
| Grace                 | Hamden,                    | 3 00   |
| Union                 | Killingworth,              | 50     |
| St. George's          | Milford,                   | 2 63   |
| St. James'            | Danbury,                   | 3 00   |
| St. James'            | New London,                | 5 62   |
| St. Mark's            | New Canaan,                | 2 25   |
| Christ                | West Haven,                | 1 00   |
| Christ                | Middletown,                | 6 00   |
| Christ                | Norwich,                   | 7 50   |
| St. John's            | Waterbury,                 | 5 62   |
| Christ                | Greenwich,                 | 3 75   |
| Christ                | Bethlem,                   | 2 00   |
| Christ                | Bethany,                   | 3 00   |
| Trinity               | Southport,                 | 6 00   |
| St. James'            | Fair Haven,                | 4 50   |
| Trinity               | Portland,                  | 5 25   |
| Trinity               | Bristol,                   | 3 75   |
| Trinity               | New Haven,                 | 18 00  |
| Grace                 | Long Hill,                 | 1 50   |
| St. Matthew's         | Wilton,                    | 2 43   |

(Amount carried up,)

\$156 35

| (Amount brought up,) |                 | \$156 35 |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------|
| St. James' Church,   | Winsted,        | 2 25     |
| St. John's           | Bridgeport,     | 7 50     |
| St. John's           | North Haven,    | 1 00     |
| Christ               | Trumbull,       | 2 00     |
| St. John's           | Salisbury,      | 4 00     |
| St. Thomas'          | Bethel,         | 3 75     |
| St. John's           | Stamford,       | 6 00     |
| Zion                 | North Branford, | 45       |
| St. Mark's           | New Britain,    | 3 38     |
| St. Andrew's         | Meriden,        | 3 75     |
| St. Michael's        | Naugatuck,      | 3 43     |
| Trinity              | Brooklyn,       | 2 25     |
| St. Peter's          | Plymouth,       | 4 88     |
| St. James'           | Birmingham,     | 6 00     |
| Christ               | Sharon,         | 2 06     |
| St. John's           | Hartford,       | 9 00     |
| Christ               | Hartford,       | 2 00     |
| St. Luke's           | Glastenbury,    | 3 75     |
| St. Peter's          | Monroe,         | 3 00     |
| St. Paul's           | Brookfield,     | 3 75     |
| Trinity              | Newtown,        | 4 87     |
|                      |                 | <hr/>    |
|                      |                 | \$245 42 |

*Parishes which have not contributed to the Convention Fund for the current year.*

|                 |               |                  |
|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| Humphreysville, | Kent,         | Quakers' Farms,  |
| Northfield,     | Litchfield,   | Wallingford,     |
| East Plymouth,  | Manchester,   | Watertown,       |
| Harwinton,      | Middlebury,   | Bridgewater,     |
| Derby,          | Milton,       | Ridgefield,      |
| Middle Haddam,  | New Milford,  | Northford,       |
| Woodbury,       | Simsbury,     | Reading,         |
| Bantam Falls,   | Salem,        | Windham,         |
| East Haddam,    | Woodbridge,   | Hitchcocksville, |
| Granby,         | Wolcottville, | Hebron,          |
| Haddam,         | Oxford,       | Zoar, (Newtown.) |



# APPENDIX E.

Dr. *The DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, in Account with the BISHOP of the same.* Cr.

|               |                                                                                                                                              |             |                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                       |             |                           |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Jan. 1, 1843. | For balance found due to the Bishop to this day, as per account presented to the Committee of the Convention, at its June session following. |             | Interest, compounded to Jan. 1, 1849. | 1843 Total income paid the Bishop, during whole of this year, from bank dividends on stock in hands of Trustees, and from Parish Collections paid the Bishop—as Cash January 1, 1844. |             | Interest to Jan. 1, 1849. |
| Jan. 1, 1844. | For a year's salary, to this day,                                                                                                            | \$4427.86   | 6 years \$1594.02                     | 1844 Same income as preceding, as Cash Jan. 1, 1845                                                                                                                                   | \$2,039.79  | 5 years \$612.00          |
| Jan. 1, 1845. | " a year's salary, to this day,                                                                                                              | 1800.00     | 5 years 540.00                        | 1845 Same income as foregoing, as Cash Jan. 1, 1846                                                                                                                                   | 1,977.15    | 4 years 474.48            |
| Jan. 1, 1846  | " a year's salary, to this day,                                                                                                              | 1800.00     | 4 years 432.00                        | 1846 Same income as foregoing, as Cash Jan. 1, 1847                                                                                                                                   | 2,220.12    | 3 years 399.60            |
| Jan. 1, 1847. | " a year's salary, to this day,                                                                                                              | 1800.00     | 3 years 324.00                        | 1847 Same income as foregoing, as Cash Jan. 1, 1848                                                                                                                                   | 2,230.50    | 2 years 267.60            |
| Jan. 1, 1848  | " a year's salary, to this day,                                                                                                              | 1800.00     | 2 years 216.00                        | 1848 Same income as foregoing, as Cash Jan. 1, 1849                                                                                                                                   | 2,246.75    | 1 year 134.62             |
| Jan. 1, 1849  | " a year's salary, to this day,                                                                                                              | 1800.00     | 1 year 108.00                         |                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2,286.23    |                           |
| "             |                                                                                                                                              |             |                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                       |             | \$1,868.50                |
| "             | balance of interest on this account to Jan. 1, 1849,                                                                                         | \$15,227.86 | \$3,214.02                            | 1849 Jan. 1. Balance due the Bishop to beginning of this year                                                                                                                         | \$13,000.54 | Balance                   |
| "             |                                                                                                                                              | \$1,325.52  |                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                       | \$3,552.84  | Interest \$1,325.52       |
| "             |                                                                                                                                              | \$16,553.38 |                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                       |             | \$2,214.02                |

To the Rev. Dr. A. S. TODD,  
Rev. E. E. BEARDSLEY, and }  
JOHN FERGUSON, Esq. } Committee, &c.

In answer to the request of the Convention of our Church, addressed to me, through you, I now transmit a condensed statement, as above, shewing the amount which was due the Bishop, on the 1st of January, 1843, as appeared by account presented to the next following Convention, through their Committee,—with the addition of the Bishop's Salary for the six following years,—and the balance of interest due on account to January 1, 1849. And, deducting therefrom the payments, which have been made the Bishop, from all sources, to the time last mentioned, there appears to be a balance due to the Bishop from the Diocese, on the 1st January 1849, including interest to that time, of *Three thousand five hundred fifty-two dollars, eighty-four cents.*

This you will have the goodness to present to the Convention.  
*Harford, Conn., June 13, 1849.*  
CHARLES SIGOURNEY, *Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund.*

N. B.—The Rev. Dr. Crosswell stated with reference to the foregoing Report, that since it was made out by the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund, the Trustees of the said fund, have appropriated from a surplus fund of the Board, a sum amounting to about \$1700, by which the amount due to the Bishop by the Diocese, is reduced to somewhat less than \$2000, and that the whole amount may be paid within the period of two or three years, by the present mode of assessment.

# APPENDIX F.

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## CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP DOCUMENTS.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEW LONDON, }  
June 11th, 1850. }

The Church Scholarship Society held its Annual Meeting.

The Rev. T. T. Guion offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Constitution of the Church Scholarship Society be so altered as to make it a giving rather than a lending institution ; and that the dues of all beneficiaries be and are hereby cancelled.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to consider and report on the change suggested by the above resolution.

The Chair appointed the Rev. T. T. Guion, the Hon. S. H. Huntington, and the Secretary, as this Committee.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Society resolve itself into the Convention, to hold another session in the course of to-morrow.

Adjourned.

P. S. CHAUNCEY, *Secretary*.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, New London, }  
June 12th, 1850. }

The Convention having resolved itself into the Church Scholarship Society,

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary presented the Report of the Board of Education, which was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's Report was also read and accepted.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the whole subject embraced in the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Guion, offered yesterday, be indefinitely postponed.

The following officers were then nominated and chosen for the ensuing year, viz :

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

|                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| The Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS, D. D. | DUDLEY BUCK, Esq.,      |
| " A. CLEVELAND COXE.          | ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, Esq. |
| THOMAS BELKNAP, Esq.          | DENISON MORGAN, Esq.    |
| WILLIAM T. LEE, Esq.          |                         |

*Secretary*, The Rev. N. S. WHEATON, D. D.

*Treasurer*, JAMES M. GOODWIN, Esq.

On motion, adjourned.

P. S. CHAUNCEY, *Secretary*.

#### Report.

The Board of Education respectfully Report to the Society :

That the number of beneficiaries under their charge is sixteen. During the past year, five have been received, and one has been graduated.

The Board are more than ever impressed with the importance to the Church, of the Society of which they are the representatives, and have every reason to believe that the claimants upon their care and upon the means entrusted to them, will constantly increase in number. The Board thankfully recognize such prospects, and earnestly invoke from the Parishes of the Diocese more systematic and more liberal aid.

They make this appeal with confidence, and in the firm hope that the Churches of Connecticut will not suffer an agency for supplying the ranks of the Ministry, to languish for want of sympathy and means.

The Board have, on a former occasion, recorded their opinion in regard to the character and qualifications of those recommended to their patronage, and they most respectfully renew their counsel, in view of the growing demands upon the Clergy, and the new forms of error and hostility with which they are called to grapple.

As the Board have no higher ambition than to fulfil the trust which the Church has committed to them, so they can have no more delightful recompense than to see the subjects of their care faithfully serving our Lord and Master at His holy altars, and as able Ministers of the New Testament, repaying, a thousand fold, their debt to us.

By order of the Board.

P. S. CHAUNCEY, *Secretary.*

*New London, June 12, 1850.*

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*Church Scholarship Society, in account with JAMES M. GOODWIN,  
Treasurer.*

|       |     |                                             | Dr.        |
|-------|-----|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| 1849. |     |                                             |            |
| June  | 8,  | To Cash paid J. M. Goodwin, borrowed of him |            |
|       |     | April 10th and 14th,                        | \$237 00   |
|       |     | " Interest paid do.                         | .2 76      |
| July  | 30, | " " " on Treasurer's Note for \$400         |            |
|       |     | discounted,                                 | 6 20       |
| Dec.  | 17, | " " " on do. do. do. \$400 do.              | 6 20       |
| 1850. |     |                                             |            |
| April | 2,  | " " " on do. do. do. \$400 do.              | 6 20       |
|       |     | " Paid Postages,                            | 15         |
|       |     | " " Beneficiaries from July 31, 1849, to    |            |
|       |     | April 2, 1850,                              | 1250 00    |
| 1849. |     |                                             |            |
| Nov.  | 2,  | " " Note discounted July 30, 1849,          | 400 00     |
| March | 20, | " " " " December 17, 1849,                  | 400 00     |
|       |     |                                             | <hr/>      |
|       |     |                                             | \$2,308 51 |

|                    |     |                                                                     |  | Cr.              |
|--------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| 1849.              |     |                                                                     |  |                  |
| June               | 4,  | By Cash on hand,                                                    |  | \$120 79         |
|                    | 12, | " of St. John's Parish, Waterbury,                                  |  | 42 75            |
|                    |     | " St. George's Parish, Milford,                                     |  | 4 00             |
|                    |     | " St. Paul's Parish, New Haven,                                     |  | 50 00            |
|                    | 13, | " Trinity Parish, Branford,                                         |  | 2 50             |
| July               | 30, | " St. John's Parish, Hartford,                                      |  | 26 65            |
| Sept.              | 12, | " Christ Church Parish, Hartford,                                   |  | 41 70            |
| Oct.               | 12, | " St. John's Parish, Waterbury,                                     |  | 10 00            |
| Nov.               | 21, | " do. do. do.                                                       |  | 50 00            |
| 1850.              |     |                                                                     |  |                  |
| Jan.               | 14, | " Christ Church Parish, Hartford,                                   |  | 38 00            |
| Feb.               | 4,  | " St. George's Parish, Milford,                                     |  | 5 00             |
|                    | 6,  | " Trinity Parish, Fairfield,                                        |  | 14 00            |
|                    | 19, | " Christ Church Parish, Quaker's Farms,                             |  | 3 16             |
|                    |     | " Christ Church Parish, Roxbury,                                    |  | 1 84             |
| March              | 25, | " St. John's Parish, Waterbury,                                     |  | 75 00            |
|                    |     | " Executor on the Estate of Mrs. Amy Peck, deceased, of Brookfield, |  | 300 00           |
| April              | 16, | " St. John's Parish, Warehouse Point,                               |  | 5 00             |
| May                | 8,  | " Trinity Parish, Fairfield,                                        |  | 10 56            |
|                    |     | " Christ Church Parish, Stratford,                                  |  | 11 40            |
| 1849.              |     |                                                                     |  |                  |
| June               | 18, | " Bills Receivable of Joseph P. Taylor, repaid,                     |  | 30 00            |
|                    |     | " Interest collected of do.                                         |  | 3 60             |
| July               | 30, | " Bills Payable, Treasurer's Note discounted,                       |  | 400 00           |
| Dec.               | 17, | " do. do. do. do.                                                   |  | 400 00           |
| 1850.              |     |                                                                     |  |                  |
| April              | 2,  | " do. do. do. do.                                                   |  | 400 00           |
|                    |     | " J. M. Goodwin, borrowed of him March 20th, 1850,                  |  | 262 56           |
| (Errors excepted.) |     |                                                                     |  | <hr/> \$2,308 51 |

JAMES M. GOODWIN, *Treasurer.*

*Hartford, June 10th, 1850.*

The above account this day examined, and found correct.

S. TUDOR, *Auditor.*

*Hartford, June 10th, 1850.*

| Dr. BALANCE SHEET, JUNE, 1850. |                    | Cr.                     |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Expense account,               | \$1,164 92         | Donations and subscrip- |
| Rev. William Barlow,           |                    | tions,                  |
| deceased,                      | 180 87             | \$14,151 95             |
| Profit and Loss,               | 659 33             | Interest account,       |
| Bills Receiveable,             | 13,232 71          | J. M. Goodwin,          |
|                                |                    | 400 00                  |
|                                | <u>\$15,237 84</u> | <u>\$15,237 84</u>      |

| Dr. SYNOPSIS OF THE WITHIN ACCOUNT. |                   | Cr.                      |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Paid Beneficiaries,                 | \$1,250 00        | Cash on hand,            |
| " Interest,                         | 21 36             | \$120 79                 |
| " Expenses,                         | 15                | Donations and subscrip-  |
| " Cash borrowed,                    | 1,037 00          | tions,                   |
|                                     |                   | 691 56                   |
|                                     |                   | Cash borrowed,           |
|                                     |                   | 1,462 56                 |
|                                     |                   | Repaid by Beneficiaries, |
|                                     |                   | 30 00                    |
|                                     |                   | Interest collected,      |
|                                     |                   | 3 60                     |
|                                     | <u>\$2,308 51</u> | <u>\$2,308 51</u>        |

The Society has, in addition to Bills Receiveable, \$500, a donation from the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hart, held in trust by Trinity College, on which they pay interest.

## APPENDIX G.

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*Clerical and Missionary Association of Litchfield County, in account with JONATHAN COE, Treasurer.*

|          |                                                                                                                                                                   |  | Dr.      |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|----------|
| 1849.    |                                                                                                                                                                   |  |          |
| Oct. 30, | To Cash paid Rev. J. L. Clark, instalment on his note (of \$242) against members of the Association, for money borrowed in behalf of Christ Church, North Canaan, |  | \$50 00  |
| Nov. 21, | " " Interest on the same,                                                                                                                                         |  | 14 58    |
|          | " " to the Missionary at Winsted, at different times; (\$115 61 balance due at Easter, 1849; \$75 for services from Easter to Oct. 1, 1849,)                      |  | 190 61   |
| 1850.    |                                                                                                                                                                   |  |          |
| May 22,  | " " the same for services from 1st Oct., 1849, to Easter, 1850,                                                                                                   |  | 75 00    |
|          | " " Rev. J. L. Clark, on his note,                                                                                                                                |  | 25 00    |
| June 11, | " Balance to new account,                                                                                                                                         |  | 57       |
|          |                                                                                                                                                                   |  | \$355 76 |

|                      |                                              |  | Cr.      |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------|--|----------|
| 1849.                |                                              |  |          |
| June 12,             | By Cash from St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, |  | \$2 50   |
|                      | " Christ " Harwinton,                        |  | 3 03     |
| July 10,             | " St. Michael's " Litchfield,                |  | 7 00     |
|                      | " Christ " New Canaan,                       |  | 7 25     |
| 11,                  | " Trinity " Wolcottville,                    |  | 5 00     |
|                      | " St. John's " Salisbury,                    |  | 8 50     |
| Aug. 7,              | " St. James' " Winsted,                      |  | 10 00    |
| 20,                  | " St. Andrew's " New Preston,                |  | 14 00    |
|                      | " St. John's " New Milford,                  |  | 17 86    |
| 21,                  | " St. Peter's " Plymouth,                    |  | 23 00    |
|                      | " St. Paul's " Woodbury,                     |  | 12 00    |
|                      | " Christ " Watertown,                        |  | 33 00    |
| (Amount carried up,) |                                              |  | \$143 14 |

|           |                      |                      |   |                  |          |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|---|------------------|----------|
|           |                      | (Amount brought up,) |   |                  | \$143 14 |
| Sept. 18, | By Cash from Trinity | Church, Milton,      |   |                  | 6 00     |
|           | "                    | St. Paul's           | " | Bantam Falls,    | 2 50     |
| 19,       | "                    | St. Michael's        | " | Litchfield,      | 20 60    |
| Oct. 30,  | "                    | St. Michael's        | " | Litchfield,      | 15 00    |
|           | "                    | St. Peter's          | " | Plymouth,        | 26 50    |
|           | "                    | St. Paul's           | " | Bantam Falls,    | 6 00     |
|           | "                    | Christ               | " | Sharon,          | 7 84     |
|           | "                    | Trinity              | " | Milton,          | 2 14     |
| Nov. 1,   | "                    | St. Andrew's         | " | Kent,            | 10 00    |
| 20,       | "                    | St. Paul's           | " | Woodbury,        | 8 81     |
| 21,       | "                    | Christ               | " | Harwinton,       | 3 00     |
|           | "                    | Christ               | " | Bethlem,         | 8 23     |
| Dec. 17,  | "                    | Trinity              | " | Northfield,      | 7 00     |
| 18,       | "                    | St. John's           | " | Salisbury,       | 5 00     |
| 24,       | "                    | Trinity              | " | Wolcottville,    | 5 00     |
| 1850.     |                      |                      |   |                  |          |
| Jan. 10,  | "                    | St. John's           | " | New Milford,     | 13 00    |
| 22,       | "                    | Christ               | " | Watertown,       | 20 00    |
| Feb. 20,  | "                    | St. John's           | " | Washington,      | 7 25     |
| 28,       | "                    | Christ               | " | New Canaan,      | 7 00     |
| April 6,  | "                    | Christ               | " | New Canaan,      | 1 00     |
|           | "                    | St. Andrew's         | " | Kent,            | 1 00     |
| 21,       | "                    | Union                | " | Hitchcocksville, | 4 00     |
| May 22,   | "                    | Christ               | " | Watertown,       | 13 00    |
|           | "                    | St. Matthew's        | " | Plymouth,        | 5 38     |
|           | "                    | Christ               | " | Harwinton,       | 7 37     |
|           |                      |                      |   |                  | <hr/>    |
|           |                      |                      |   |                  | \$355 76 |

Respectfully submitted.

JONATHAN COE, *Treasurer.*

*New London, June 11th, 1850.*



**C O N S T I T U T I O N**  
**OF THE**  
**Protestant Episcopal Church,**  
**IN THE**  
**Diocese of Connecticut,**

**AS AMENDED IN CONVENTION, OCTOBER, 1835, JUNE, 1840, AND  
JUNE, 1847.**

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**ARTICLE 1.** The Protestant Episcopal Church in Connecticut, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the General Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ART. 2.** There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese, on the second Tuesday of June, in each year, at such place as shall have been determined upon by the Bishop; and in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

**ART. 3.** Every Convention shall be opened with prayer, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach at the opening of each Convention; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint.

**ART. 4.** The Bishop shall preside in Convention; but in case of absence or of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President *pro tem*.

**ART. 5.** The Bishop shall have power to call a special Convention, when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee, or five Presbyters. And in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention.

**ART. 6.** The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every officiating minister of this Church, regularly appointed to the charge of a congregation, in Union with this Convention; ministers employed as missionaries under the appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; clerical instructors of youth in any seminary of learning in this diocese, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority; and ministers whose age and infirmities pre-

vent from exercising the clerical functions ; shall be members of this Convention. Each Parish in this Diocese, which shall have been received into Union with the Convention, shall be entitled to a representation in Convention, by one delegate ; and if it shall consist of more than fifty families, by two ; to be chosen by the Parish. And if any Parish be composed of two or more congregations, having a corresponding number of Church edifices, such Parish shall be entitled to a representation from each of such congregations, as from so many distinct Parishes. But before any delegate shall take his seat, he shall produce a certificate of his appointment, signed by the Rector, Wardens, or Parish Clerk. And one third of the members of the Clerical order, and twenty members of the Lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn.

ART. 7. The Clergy and Laity in the Convention shall deliberate in one body ; and on every question, a majority of votes of those present shall decide ; but if upon any question it be required by five members, the two orders shall vote thereon separately, and a concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen by ballot, immediately upon the opening of the Annual Convention, from the Clerical members thereof. It shall be his duty to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books and proceedings relative to the concerns of the Church, which may be in his possession. And it shall also be his duty to notify, through the channel of such public prints as may be designated by the ecclesiastical authority, the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding or special Convention.

ART. 9. The Standing Committee shall be elected at the Annual Convention ; and shall be composed of five Clerical members, who shall be Rectors of Parishes, or Instructors in some seminary instituted by the ecclesiastical or civil authority of this Diocese ; and in case of any vacancy occurring in said Committee, by death, removal, or resignation, the remaining members shall have power to supply said vacancy, until the Annual Convention. At their first meeting, which shall always be on the day of their election, they shall appoint from their own body a President and Secretary, who shall keep a journal of the proceedings subject to the inspection of the Convention. Any three of the Committee, (the whole having been summoned by the President,) shall be a quorum, except for such purposes, as, agreeably to their own rules or the Canons of the General Convention, may require a larger number.

ART. 10. The Secretary and Standing Committee of this Convention, shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed.

**ART. 11.** A Treasurer shall be appointed by the Convention, to continue in office during their pleasure ; and it shall be his duty to receive and manage all funds which may at any time belong to the Convention ; and to lay before the Convention an annual statement of all such funds.

**ART. 12.** When the Episcopate of this Diocese shall become vacant by death or otherwise, the Standing Committee shall call a special Convention within three months from the time when such vacancy shall happen, at Hartford or New Haven. And the time and place shall be notified in three or more respectable newspapers in this Diocese, at least four weeks previous to said meeting ; when the Convention may proceed to an election, or adjourn to such time and place as may be deemed expedient.

**ART. 13.** The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be in the following manner :—The two orders shall separate, and the order of the Clergy shall choose by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office ; and thereupon such choice shall be communicated to the order of Lay Delegates ; and if, on ballot, the person so chosen is approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared to be duly elected. In the above-mentioned election, a majority of each order shall determine a choice ; provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to vote be present ; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

**ART. 14.** Each order in Convention shall appoint delegates to the General Convention by ballot ; and the delegates thus appointed and confirmed by the concurrent vote of both orders in Convention, shall continue in office three years, or the time that may intervene between the stated meetings of the General Convention. And in case any delegate so appointed shall decline such appointment, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, at least two months before the meeting of the General Convention ; and the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, if the Episcopate be vacant, may appoint a substitute for any delegate so declining.

**ART. 15.** No Clergyman shall be suspended, or receive any public censure from the Bishop or Standing Committee of this Diocese without having been adjudged thereto, in the way to be provided for by Canon.

**ART. 16.** This Constitution shall not be subject to alteration in any article except at an annual meeting of the Convention, by vote of two thirds of the members present ; nor unless such alteration shall have been proposed and approved at the annual meeting previous to its adoption, and published at large in the journals of the Convention.

**CANONS**  
**OF THE**  
**Protestant Episcopal Church**  
**IN THE**  
**DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT,**

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**CANON I.—Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports.**  
*(Passed 1826, amended 1830, 1834 and 1841.)*

In order to give effect to Canon 7, of the General Convention of 1834, it is hereby required, that every Minister of the Church shall keep a record of all the baptisms, marriages and funerals solemnized by him, specifying the names of the parties married, of the persons baptized, and of the persons buried, and the time when each rite was performed. He shall also keep a register of the names of the persons confirmed, and of the communicants, and of the families belonging to his Parish, which documents shall be deposited with the clerk, in case of his removal from the Parish.

And it shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of families belonging to his Parish: of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read, and entered on the Journals of the Convention. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And at every visitation, the Minister of the Parish, or the Wardens, if the Parish be vacant, shall submit to the Bishop, for his inspection the Parish Register.

**CANON II.—Providing for the Convention Fund. (1838.)**

The several Parishes in this Diocese, shall annually pay to the Convention Fund, at the rate of seventy-five cents on every one

hundred dollars paid to their respective Clergymen, as their annual salary.

**CANON III.**—*Declaring the offences for which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

Disorderly and immoral conduct, vicious or unseemly diversions, neglect of duty, disregard of the Constitutions and Canons of the General or State Convention, a deviation from the Rubrics, and disseminating or countenancing opinions which are contrary to the doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, are offences for which a Clergyman may be brought to trial.

**CANON IV.**—*Of the manner in which a Clergyman shall be brought to trial.* (1825.)

In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an ecclesiastical court, a charge shall be made, in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of, at least, two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged as coming within the offences enumerated in the Canons of the Diocese of Connecticut, or of the General Convention, they shall present the same to the Bishop, in the following form :

*To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut :*

The Standing Committee of this Diocese respectfully represent, that C. D. has been accused, under the hand of E. F. and G. H., of [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canons in such cases made and provided.

[Signed by the Standing Committee.]

Whereupon the Bishop shall summon nine Presbyters to meet, at some time, not within ninety days, at some place within the county where the accused shall reside or officiate, for the time being ; five of whom shall be sufficient to constitute a court for the trial of the charge or charges. If more than five of the persons summoned shall appear, the accused may object to any individual over that number, at his own discretion. If no objection be made, the whole number present shall sit on the trial.

The Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the Standing Committee of the time and place of the meeting of the court. And the Standing Committee shall act as prosecutors in the case ; and at least sixty days before the trial, shall furnish the accused with a copy of the presentment, notice of the time and place of trial, and a specification of the facts on which they expect to maintain the charges. And the accused, at least thirty days before the trial, shall furnish the Standing Committee with a statement of the grounds of his defence on each specification.

At the fixed time for the trial, the members of the court shall choose a President from their own number, and Secretary, either from their own number or otherwise, as they shall see fit; and they shall, before they proceed, adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; Provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party on the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

If the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, or to answer to the charges in the manner herein prescribed, the court shall order judgment to be rendered against him by default. But if he shall appear, the court shall proceed to a fair and impartial hearing of the whole matter, and shall adjudge him *guilty or not guilty*, according to the evidence; and if guilty, the sentence which in their opinion ought to be pronounced.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the proceedings—containing a copy of the presentment—of the specifications—of the notice to the accused, and of his answer—with a statement of all the evidence, both oral and written—and the final judgment of the court; and an attested copy of this record shall be forthwith delivered to the Bishop. If the judgment be *not guilty*, the Bishop shall give a certificate of *acquittal* to the accused, embracing a copy of the presentment and specifications; and the accused shall not be subjected to a second trial on the same facts. If the court judge him *guilty*, on one or more points at issue, the Bishop may disapprove the judgment and order a new trial; stating his grounds for such a decision; or he may approve the judgment; and in that case he shall, within thirty days, proceed to such ecclesiastical censure, as the case may, in his opinion, require—whether it be admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry.

**CANON V.**—*Concerning the manner in which Clergymen are to take charge of Parishes, and their separation from them.* (1826.)

No Clergyman shall take the charge of any Parish in this Diocese without having first obtained the written permission of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written permission of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee. And every violation of this Canon shall constitute an offence for which a Clergyman may be tried under the Canon of 1825, providing for the trial of Clergymen.

**CANON VI.**—*Providing for the preservation of the Records of the Standing Committee.* (1826.)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Standing Committee to prepare an abstract of their proceedings from year to year, and present the same to the Convention at its annual meeting.

The abstract shall specify the time and place of each meeting of the Committee during the year—the number present—the names of the candidates presented for admission, with the decision of the committee in each case—and the substance of all other matters which shall be brought before them, and such abstract shall be entered on the Journals of the Convention and published therewith.

**CANON VII.—*Concerning Parochial Collections.* (1839.)**

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to establish Parochial collections, not less than *four* in each year, for the aid of the benevolent institutions of the Church, and to appropriate at least once a year to the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, such portion of these collections as the Rector and Vestry, or the Vestry, when there is no Rector, or a Committee appointed by such Vestry, or by a vote of the Parish, shall deem it expedient.

**CANON VIII.—*For the regulation and Maintenance of Cures.* (1828.)**

It shall be the duty of the Convention, from time to time, to examine and declare the limits of the several cures within the Diocese—and in the settlement and maintenance of Clergymen, the several Parishes shall steadily adhere to such arrangement, except in cases of imperious necessity, and with the advice and consent of the ecclesiastical authority. And any Parish refusing to acquiesce in such arrangement, shall, while such refusal continues, be thereby excluded from representation in the Convention. And further, no Clergyman of this Diocese shall accept a settlement in any of the Parishes of this state which may refuse to acquiesce in the arrangement of the Convention as to cures, unless for special causes it may seem good for the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to dispense with the provisions of this Canon.

**CANON IX.—*Concerning Annual Parish Meetings.* (1830.)**

There shall be an annual meeting of the Parishioners of every Parish in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed, for the purpose of electing the Wardens and Vestry, and of transacting such other business as may come before said meeting; which Wardens and Vestry shall constitute the Society's Committee, agreeably to the provisions of the statute.

**CANON X. (1838.)**

It is declared to be the duty of every Clergyman, having a seat in this Convention, to attend every meeting of the same, or send a reasonable excuse for absence to the Bishop.



**CANON XI.—***Providing for a list of Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention.* (1839.)

It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, previous to the meeting of every Annual Convention to prepare an accurate list of the Clergymen of this Diocese, entitled to seats in the Convention, agreeably to the existing Constitution and Canons; to be presented and read by the Secretary, before any other business shall be transacted; and this shall be the list according to which the Convention shall be organized.

**CANON XII.—***Concerning the Settlement of Clergymen.* (1830.)

Every cure in this Diocese, on the call of a Clergyman, shall, within one month after such call, apply to the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, to the Standing Committee, for permission to settle such Clergyman; and no Clergyman, by virtue of a Parochial cure, shall take his seat in this Convention, until such permission shall be attained.

**CANON XIII.—***Providing for the wants of aged and infirm Clergymen.* (1846—altered 1847.)

It shall be the duty of every Parish in this Diocese to make a collection, either on Whit-Sunday or Trinity Sunday, in each year, to be applied under the direction of the Bishop and standing Committee, according to circumstances, and as there may seem to be an existing necessity, for the relief of aged and infirm Clergymen, who may be destitute of the means of an adequate and comfortable support; and also of destitute widows of Clergymen belonging to this Diocese.

In appropriations for Clergymen special reference shall be had to cases in which it may appear that the necessity has resulted, in any measure, from the zealous endeavors of the individual to make himself useful in the cause of his Divine Master.

**CANON XIV.—***Providing for the support of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge.*

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, to lay before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, at the opening of its session, a statement of the amount of means needed for the current year, and of the places in which it is desirable to expend these means; which statement shall be placed on the pages of the Journal.



## **List of Parishes**

### **IN THE DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.**

#### **HARTFORD COUNTY.**

Hartford, { Christ Church,  
              { St. John's Church,  
              { (West Hartford) St. James' Parish.  
Bristol, Trinity Church.  
East Windsor, { (Warehouse Point) St. John's Church,  
                  { (Broad Brook) Grace Church.  
Manchester, St. Mary's Parish.  
Unionville, Christ Church.  
Glastenbury, St. Luke's Church.  
Granby, St. Peter's Church.  
Simsbury, { St. Andrew's Church,  
              { (Tariffville) Trinity Church.  
New Britain, St. Mark's Church.  
Windsor, St. Gabriel's Parish.

#### **WINDHAM COUNTY.**

Brooklyn, Trinity Church.  
Windham, St. Paul's Church.  
Pomfret, Christ Church.

#### **TOLLAND COUNTY.**

Hebron, St. Peter's Church.  
Coventry, St. Clement's Parish.

#### **NEW LONDON COUNTY.**

New London, St. James' Church.  
Preston, (Poquetanock) St. James' Church.  
Salem, Christ Church.  
Norwich, { Christ Church.  
           { Trinity Church.  
Stonington, Calvary Church.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY.**

Middletown, Christ Church.

Saybrook, { (Essex) St. John's Church,  
                  { Grace Church.

Portland, Trinity Church.

North Killingworth, Union Church.

Haddam, Church of the Holy Trinity.

East Haddam, St. Stephen's Church.

Middle Haddam, Christ Church.

**NEW HAVEN COUNTY.**

New Haven, { Trinity Church,  
                  { St. Paul's Church,  
                  { St. Thomas' Church,  
                  { (Westville) St. James' Church,  
                  { St. Luke's, African.

Meriden, St. Andrew's Church.

Bethany, Christ Church.

Hamden, Grace Church.

North Branford, Zion Church.

North Guilford, St. John's Church.

Cheshire, St. Peter's Church.

Milford, St. George's Church.

East Haven, { Christ Church,  
                  { (Fair Haven) St. James' Church.

North Haven, St. John's Church.

Northford, St. Andrew's Church.

Branford, Trinity Church.

Guilford, Christ Church.

Wallingford, St. Paul's Church.

West Haven, Christ Church.

Derby, { (Birmingham) St. James' Church,  
          { Christ Church.

Humphreysville, Union Church.

Oxford, { St. Peter's Church,  
          { (Quaker's Farms) Christ Church.

Waterbury, St. John's Church.

Naugatuck, St. Michael's Church.

Middlebury, — Church.

Wolcott, All Saint's Church.  
 Woodbridge, Trinity Parish.  
 Southbury, Church of the Resurrection.  
 Ansonia, Trinity Church.

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

Litchfield, St. Michael's Church.  
 Bantam Falls, St. Paul's Church.  
 Milton, Trinity Church.  
 Northfield, Trinity Church.  
 New Milford, St. John's Church.  
 Bridgewater, St. Mark's Church.  
 Sharon, Christ Church.  
 Kent, St. Andrew's Church.  
 New Preston, St. Andrew's Church.  
 Washington, St. John's Church.  
 Salisbury, St. John's Church.  
 Woodbury, St. Paul's Church.  
 Roxbury, Christ Church.  
 Watertown, Christ Church.  
 North Canaan, Christ Church.  
 Plmouth, { St. Peter's Church,  
                   { St. Matthew's Church.  
 Bethlem, Christ Church.  
 Hitchcockville, Union Church.  
 Harwinton, Christ Church.  
 Wolcottville, Trinity Church.  
 Winchester, (Winsted) St. James' Church.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

Stratford, Christ Church.  
 Bridgeport, St. John's Church.  
 Fairfield, Trinity Church.  
 Weston, ——— Church.  
 Norwalk, St. Paul's Church.  
 Stamford, St. John's Church.  
 Wilton, St. Matthew's Church.  
 Ridgefield, St. Stephen's Church.  
 Danbury, St. James' Church.

Bethel, St. Thomas' Church.

Reading Christ Church.

Newtown, { Trinity Church,  
(Zoar) St. James' Church.

Brookfield, St. Paul's Church.

Huntington, St. Paul's Church.

Monroe, St. Peter's Church.

Trumbull, { Christ Church,  
Grace Church,  
(Nichols' Farms) Trinity.

New Canaan, St. Mark's Church.

Greenwich, { Christ Church.  
(Glenville) Emanuel Chapel.

Westport, Christ Church.

Easton, ——— Church.

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